

# The Flashlight

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## Strike authorization in progress

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Professors, coaches, and other faculty members are a part of the organization APSCUF (Association of Pennsylvania State College & University Faculties). The union negotiates with PASSHE (Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education) to reach an agreement to provide quality, affordable higher education. 98% of tenured faculties are members, and 70% of temporary faculty statewide; this totals 5,500 members. Membership has been declining because of declining hiring rates.

Faculty and coaches have been working without a contract since June 30, 2015. Negotiations for contracts have been ongoing. In April of this year, members were frustrated with the negotiations and discussed a strike-authorization vote. Delegates who had a concern for the students delayed the vote.

The first vote to authorize strike was held September 7-9 for full APSCUF faculty. The results of this vote are as followed: 82% of APSCUF faculty members voted; of those 93% voted in favor of authorization. This does not mean that there will be a strike, but that the faculty members approve of their

### SIDE BY SIDE

What the State System is offering APSCUF  
versus AFSCME 13 and SEIU Local 668 increases

**FOR APSCUF**

**0 PERCENT** for 2015-16  
**0 PERCENT** for 2016-17  
**1 PERCENT** for 2017-18  
**1 PERCENT** for 2018-19  
**STEP INCREASE**  
in January of the final year  
of the multiyear contract.  
**\$600** one-time payment to  
cover proposed healthcare plan

**FOR AFSCME  
AND SEIU**

**STEP INCREASE** in January  
2016 as part of one-year 2015-16 deal  
**2.75 PERCENT** on Oct. 1, 2016  
**2 PERCENT** on July 1, 2017  
**2.25 PERCENT** (step increase)  
on Jan. 1, 2018  
**2.5 PERCENT** on July 1, 2018  
**2.25 PERCENT** (step increase)  
on Jan. 1, 2019

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delegates calling for a strike. Before there can be a strike there need to have committee approvals and set a strike date. Coaches hold their vote September 14-16, but this vote is separate from the faculty vote, as they are a separate bargaining unit. APSCUF president Kenneth M. Mash says, "We will not set a date until we have at least one more chance to go to the negotiations table to ensure that we are doing everything we can do. A strike remains the last resort."

In an interview with APSCUF President Dr. Mash several questions were posed about the status of the state of Mansfield University in the event of a strike.

According to Dr. Mash, APSCUF has never gone on strike before but has come close a couple times. In the event of a strike, APSCUF will most likely set up a base on campus and in the near future, cell phone numbers will be available with more information. For now, anyone seeking information can go to the state system website ([www.apscuf.org](http://www.apscuf.org)) and there is also a student page on the APSCUF website with more information for students. Dr. Mash also stated that students could email him with questions they have about the strike [kmash@apscuf.org](mailto:kmash@apscuf.org).

In the event of a strike, students will receive an email

from the administration regarding their housing and whether or not they will be staying on campus. Dr. Mash said that the students will hopefully stay on campus but it is not up to APSCUF. The vote is a simple majority rules in terms of whether or not the strike will actually happen. If a strike does happen and a faculty member didn't vote they are still expected to go together, in solidarity. But APSCUF is not able to force people to not go to work. Other schools have been sharing information and try to make sure people stay informed. As Dr. Mash said, "When they cast a vote, it's an informed vote."

# Info-To-Go

## Campus Bulletin Board

- Fall 2016 on Mondays at 7:00 p.m. and Thursdays at 5:00 p.m. Pilates with Allix in Kelchner Fitness Center (KFC)
- Friday, September 16th and Saturday, September 17th Family & Friends Weekend. All events are free! Not tickets required for anyone.
- Friday, September 16th Pink Floyd Tribute Laser Show. Live & In Concert at the Straughn Hall Auditorium. Doors open 7:00 p.m.; Showtime 8:00 p.m.
- Saturday, September 17th at 1:00 p.m. “Tail Gate Party” Outside Allen Hall. Carnival Games, Inflatables, Armed Forces Challenge Games, Fair Food Trailer, and more! SGA Student Club & Organization Fair 1:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.
- Saturday October 8th the Tracy Morgan Picking Up The Pieces 2016 Tour. The event is at the Community Arts Center in Williamsport, PA. \$25 per ticket. Use code: Mansfield.

This is the first issue of *The Flashlight* for the Fall 2016 semester. Thank you for choosing to read our newspaper.

And as always, feel free to send us your info-to-go!

# POLICE BEAT

- 8/27/16 - At approximately 2:15 p.m. a female university student reported that a male student known to her sexually assaulted her in an on-campus residence. An investigation continues

8/29/16 - A female university student reported that a known male subject had communicated to or about her in a lewd manner via several social media websites. She received or viewed that communication at her on-campus residence. The male subject, who is not a university student, communicated that information from an off campus location. An investigation continues

9/3/16 - Suspect allegedly used Dining Services meal plans and flex spending
- account from a student victims Mansfield University campus identification card, without the consent of the card holder, totaling \$36.02 in expenditures. The above listed student was referred to Campus Judicial for the violations

9/3/16 - At approximately 2257 hours, this station received a report of Criminal Mischief in Sycamore 2nd floor long hallway study area. On 09/03/2016, between the hours of 2036 and 2236 someone had ripped a light down from the ceiling

9/6/16 - Police were dispatched for a student whom had sprayed another student with mace on the 1st floor of Hickory dormitory. Stephanie Sheetz was referred to Campus Judicial for the violation

# WORLD NEWS

- 9/14/16 - Israel’s Shimon Peres hospitalized after stroke**

  - Former Israeli President and Prime Minister Shimon Peres is in “critical but stable” condition after suffering a stroke Tuesday and will not undergo surgery at this time, according to a statement from his office and the hospital where he’s being treated
  - Peres, 93, suffered a stroke with “a component of bleeding,” Dr. Yitzhak Kreiss said Tuesday. “After the completion of doctors’ consultations held a few minutes ago, it was decided that there is no indication at this stage that would justify surgery,” the statement said. He will remain sedated and intubated in the intensive care unit at Sheba Medical Center in Ramat Gan

**9/13/16 - Syrian ceasefire appears to hold, but aid deliveries are on standby**

  - A nervous calm appears to have descended on Syria on the first full day of a cease-fire, but aid has not yet been able to reach besieged populations
  - Aid agencies stand poised to distribute much-needed assistance but say they are awaiting guarantees of security from all parties before beginning their deliveries to hundreds of thousands of desperate Syrians
- 9/13/16 - US bombs ISIS chemical weapons plant**

  - The US has bombarded an ISIS chemical weapons plant that was housed in a converted Iraqi pharmaceutical factory, a top Air Force commander said Tuesday
  - The strike follows a United Nations-backed report issued last month that found that both the regime of Syrian President Bashar al-Assad and ISIS have used chemical weapons in the five-year-long war that has ripped the country apart

**9/13/16 - Germany: 3 alleged ISIS members arrested in Paris attacks probe**

  - Three Syrian nationals suspected of being ISIS members were arrested Tuesday in Germany, and are being investigated in connection with November’s deadly terror attacks in Paris, authorities said
  - The investigation into one of them has revealed he had links to a network of people that were involved in a gunman’s thwarted August 2015 attack on a Paris-bound train, a source briefed by German officials told CNN on condition of anonymity





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# Mansfield University implements new protocol and safety guidelines

By **KLINE KAUFER**  
*Editor-in-Chief*

Mansfield University has implemented some changes to improve campus-wide safety.

The reporting process for employee related injuries at Mansfield University has changed.

The safety office should be more involved with employee injuries. They need to determine the cause, anything to minimize this, and investigate the accident. These changes were made by determining how and why the accident occurred. For example, if someone hurts their back the safety office would implement changes to make sure it doesn't happen again. Every worker is a valuable worker. The amount of injuries vary per year. Last year was the lowest number in a few years. The Environmental Health and Safety Maintenance Office is always trying to improve. It's their goal to have zero injuries. The University have has workers compensation insurance which is through the Common Wealth of Pennsylvania.

The University is also improving their alert system to better account for student

safety.

Someone can register for MU Alerts by going through *my.mansfield.edu*. You can be notified by a text or voicemail. Home phones will also get a voicemail explaining the alert. For example, there can be alerts about school closings if there is snow, planned power outages, or frozen pipes. Last year there was one delay and one cancellation. Notifications are not only for emergencies, but can confirm students for visit days. Blackboard Connect, the system with which the University broadcasts alarms and other related announcements has been used for four years.

The landscape of the campus has also undergone some changes to improve safety.

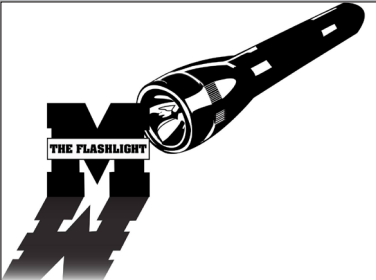
Kelchner Fitness Center has a new crosswalk. Now it is a straight cross walk instead of the old one which was at an angle. The reason for this change was that pedestrians had a more difficult time seeing the oncoming traffic -- plus this new crosswalk more accessible for students with crutches or wheelchairs. The old cross walk had faded paint, so it was repainted. The Emergency

and Health Office decided it would go in the most logical spot. They created a sidewalk that had an extension directly to the police station. There is also a retaining wall around it a bench for people waiting for the Mountie. The cost of this was all within house staff. There were many concrete projects throughout the Summer such as replacing worn out steps on the side of Decker Gymnasium. The bad steps were replaced behind Retan and Belknap as well. Luckily, the weather was good during the Summer, which made it easier for work to get done. Determinations are made based on individual inspections, then we determine which are most in need and if it is a safety issue. The campus has to be pedestrian friendly. If a student, professor or a staff person thinks a crosswalk is necessary or unnecessary he/she should contact Jim Welch. He can evaluate it and contact facilities. Cross walks are painted every Summer to make everything visible. In 2012, the university worked with the Pennsylvania Department of Transportation to build flashing lights on Route 6 to let vehicles know to yield. This was a safety concern.

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Or stop by our meeting in Alumni Hall, Room 312 on Tuesdays at 4:00 p.m.



CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR						
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
16  Chow with the Chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Kappa Phi's Spa Night 7:30 p.m.  Family & Friends/LUMA Weekend 2016 - "Think Pink Floyd" 8:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	17  Loomis Gallery - Daren Kendall "It Was Just a Mirage: Sonata For A Broken Harp" All Day  Admissions Visit Day: LUMA 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Family & Friends/ LUMA Weekend 1:00 - 11:30 p.m.	18  Loomis Gallery - Daren Kendall "It Was Just A Mirage: Sonata For A Brokem Harp" All Day  Worship Night at The Hut 7:00 p.m.  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	19	20  Cancelled - Catholic Student Association Meetings 4:00 p.m.  Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesday Night TEAM TRIVIA at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	21  Council of Trustees Meeting 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Open Mic Night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:55 p.m.	22  Loomis Gallery - Daren Kendall "It Was Just A Mirage: Sonata For A Broken Harp" All Day  Thursday Night Live @ The Hut: Music, Comedy, Performing Arts and Entertainment Programming 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
23  Last Day to Submit Incomplete Grade Changes All Day  PRISM 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  Friday Night "OFF BRAT CINEMA" at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	24  PRISM 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	25	26  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	27  Last Day to Complete "Credit by Exam" All Day  Chow with the Chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Tuesday Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	28  Wednesday Open Mic Night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	29  Bi-Annual Student Services Fair 11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.  Thursday Night Live at The Hut: Music, Comedy, Perofmring Arts & Entertainment Programming 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.



# Convocation 2016

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## Carontawan Staff & The Flashlight Staff

Welcome back all returning students and the class of 2020!

The Carontawan and Flashlight will be working together this year to create a new product for a new generation. Follow us in each issue as we reinvent ourselves telling our story page by page.

-Andrew Putt, *Co Editor-in-chief of the Carontawan*

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This past Sunday marked the 15<sup>th</sup> anniversary of 9/11. Despite the darkness that day forever holds, the weather could not have been any more perfect for the ceremony that was held in Veteran’s Park. As I approached the park, flags were at half mast and several people were waiting for the ceremony to start. The NPMHS Brass Ensemble, which was led by Mr. William Schlosser, played the National Anthem and then Amazing Grace at the close of the ceremony. Bill Page, of the Mansfield Fire Department participated in the Ringing of the Bells and the Tioga County Honor Guard was present.

In total, the ceremony lasted about 35 minutes. Several people spoke including Maria Bartlett, Pastor Mark Scafidi, Roger Bunn, and Pastor Courtney Hull from the MU Campus Ministry whom said a Prayer of Remembrance. Commissioner Roger Bunn gave statistics on the casualties of September 11, 2001. He remarked that, 2,977 people were killed on 9/11 which

compares to the 2,402 killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor. In the World Trade Center, 2,606 people lost their lives and 125 people were killed in the Pentagon. In total, there were casualties from 90 countries.

After 9/11, the Department of Homeland Security was created. The terrorists who attacked the United States on September 11<sup>th</sup> had planned this out by attacking the financial center, the headquarters of the United States Department of Defense, and the center of government. However, the 40 passengers and crew of Flight 93 made the heroic sacrifice by taking control of the plane and crashing it into an open field near Shanksville, Pennsylvania.

“The attacks of September 11th were intended to break our spirit. Instead we have emerged stronger and more unified. We feel renewed devotion to the principles of political, economic and religious freedom, the rule of law and respect for human life. We are more determined than ever to live our lives in freedom.” -Rudolph W. Giuliani. December 31, 2001.





# Canine Comfort

September 1st, 2016



## Frisbee for Life

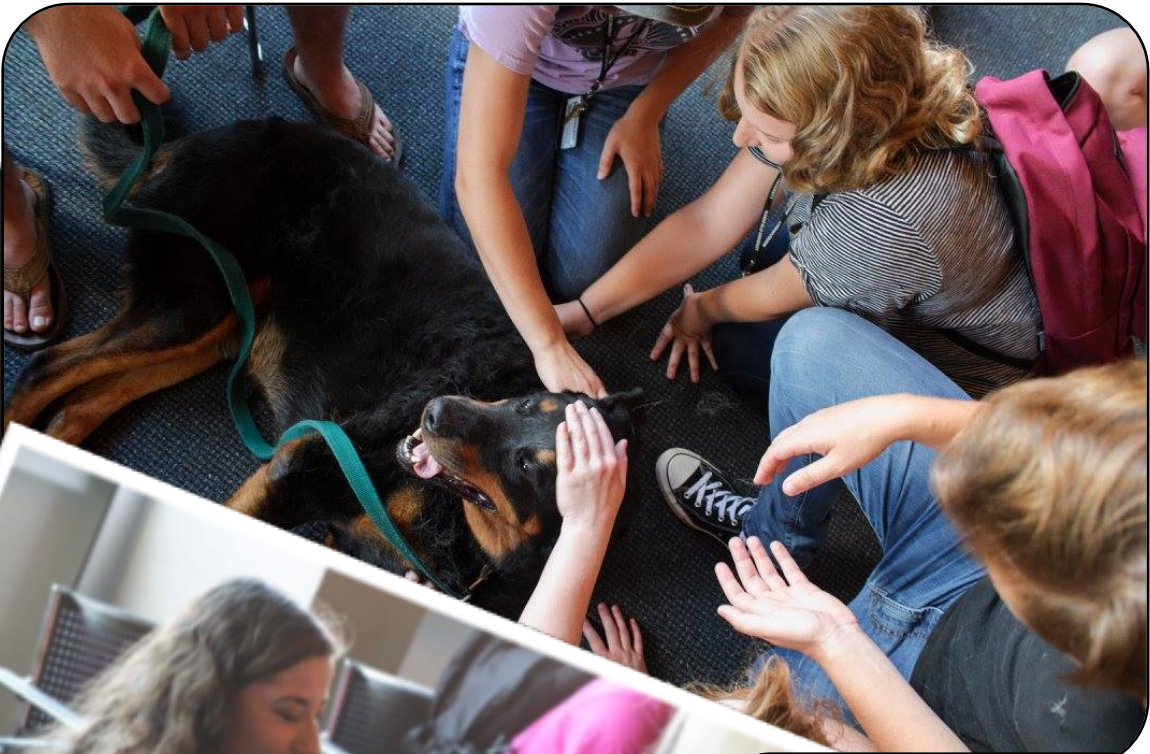
By ANDREW PUTT  
*Production Manager*

The Mansfield University Community Service Club sponsored a community Frisbee tournament on campus Saturday September 10. A local Wellsboro team, Disc-spicable Me won the event in an attempt to raise funds for a local cancer research group. We invite you to follow the Community Service Club on facebook using the QR code below.



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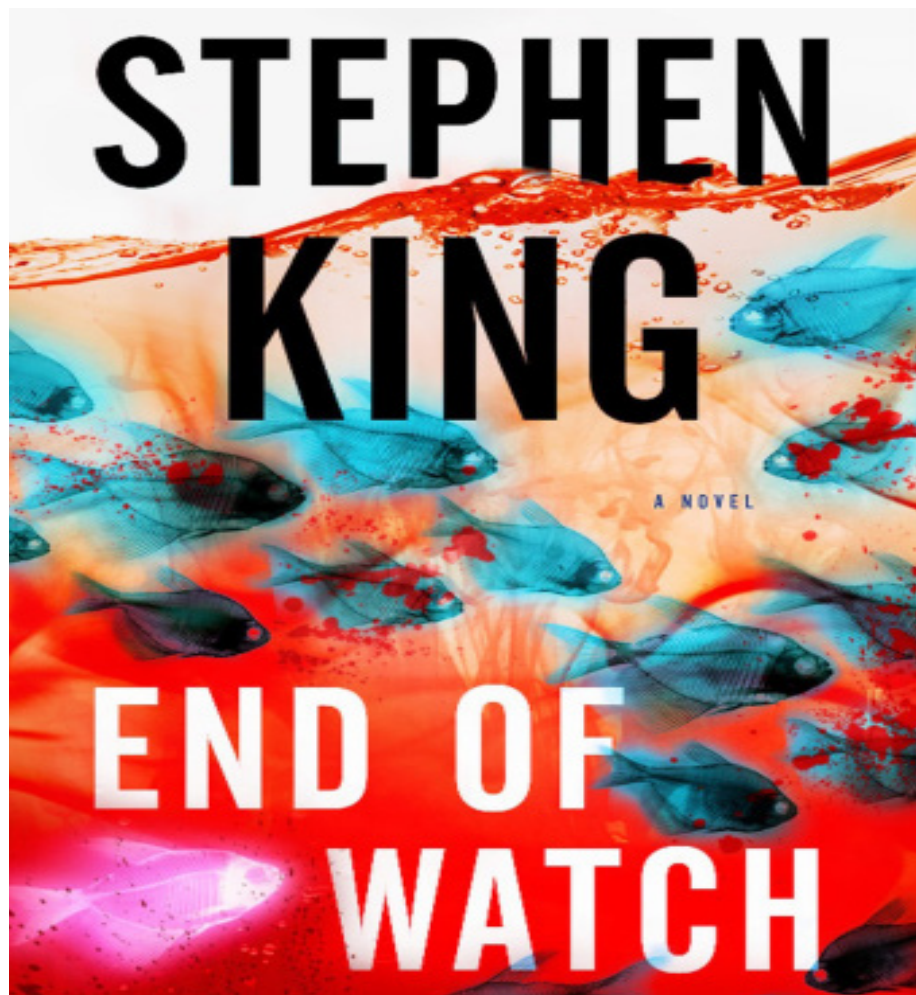


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## Stephen King's new novel: End of Watch spoiler free review



By KLINE KAUFER  
Editor-in-Chief

End of Watch is the final installment in Stephen King's, Bill Hodges trilogy. The trilogy began with Mr. Mercedes in 2014, which was followed by Finders Keepers in 2015. End of Watch begins with the tragic moment at a job fair that Mr. Mercedes also starts with. Since Mr. Mercedes and Finders Keepers were crime/thriller novels, with no supernatural element to them, I was expecting that End of Watch would be told in the same fashion. However, this was not the case and the reason it was my least favorite from this trilogy. I thought the supernatural element was a little "far out" and could have worked better if the story was told in the same disturbing way that Mr. Mercedes was told in.

Of all the Stephen King novels I have read, End of Watch is my least favorite. Stephen King is my favorite author and has the ability to transform reality into another world. End of Watch did disappointment with living up to his more recent work such as Revival, The Bazaar of Bad Dreams and 11/22/63 which happens to be my favorite book of all time. Having said this, I do not think this is a bad novel by any means. I have not read nearly all of King's body of work, but I aspire to conquer them all eventually.

Photo Courtesy of The Seattle Times  
End of Watch is King's 54th novel

In End of Watch, Brady Hartsfield, who was the antagonist in Mr. Mercedes returns from a coma. He now has supernatural abilities, which allow him to control other people through a game on a "Zappit" called, "Fishing Pole." A Zappit is similar to a Game Boy that can connect to the internet. When someone plays this game, they go into a trance and can be driven to suicide. (King's original title for End of Watch was The Suicide Prince). Bill Hodges and his team of Jerome Robinson and Holly Gibney go after Hartsfield, which is a parallel to Mr. Mercedes.

The most reasonable explanation for Hartsfield's new abilities is because of the drugs Dr. Babineau has prescribed him. Dr. Babineau created an experiment with these drugs and Hartsfield happens to be his guinea pig. As a reader, we get our first introduction to Hartsfield's new telekinesis abilities in the last pages of Finders Keepers, where he makes small objects move in his hospital room.

Some call King disturbed, but he is simply a storyteller and one who likes to tell brilliantly crafted stories. The reader is not supposed to understand the thoughts of an author, just what he/she puts on the page. This is proven with the fact he he has sold over 350 million books worldwide.

## Featured Organization: Around the Field

By DAYJAH BROCK  
*Flashlight Contributor*

Around the Field is a web-based series designed for the students of Mansfield University. The show's goal is to highlight events that are happening on campus, organizations, interact with the students of the university and to see what the community of Mansfield has to offer as well.

Mass Communication: Electronic Media majors Eric Moody and Dayjah Brock, who are also the hosts of this new exciting web series, are the creators behind the show. The behind the scenes work is handled by Mass Communication: Electronic Media and Graphic Design major, Kaitlyn Callahan and Graphic Design major Brian Rezek. Both students are not only the visual directors, but the editors of the series as well.

Moody says, "We wanted to create a show that will get the students to interact and for them to actually be excited about events on campus and show them some of the town's highlights and exactly what it has to offer." The show is approximately five to seven minutes, but within this time it is packed with laughter and fun. There are many different segments

to look forward to in the series which include, Campus Organization Highlights, Meet a Professor, What's In Town, Ask the Students and so much more!

Brock says, "Eric and I just want to create a show that is fun for the students to watch. It isn't too long and it isn't too short, it's the perfect amount of time to get some news and fun out there! Just because we are a smaller school does not mean that we cannot have big voices. We're looking at it as a platform for students, businesses and organizations to get their voices out there and make themselves known, all while getting students pumped and proud to be a Mountie!"

Students are also encouraged to use the hashtag #AroundtheField when posting pictures of them at events that are in town or on campus, organization meetings or even walking to class. Also, be sure to subscribe to the YouTube channel as well as liking the Around the Field Facebook page and following the series on both Twitter and Instagram @AroundtheField\_! The show airs every Friday at noon on their YouTube channel, AroundtheField.

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## *The Voice* talent Josh Logan performs at The Hut

By TORI ROZELL  
Staff Writer

I had the amazing honor to sit down with *The Voice*: Season 5 contestant and well known musician Josh Logan and ask him a few questions. Mansfield University hosted a concert at The Hut for him on September 1. Josh Logan was born March 29, 1980 in Manchester, New Hampshire. He always had a passion for singing and playing the guitar. At the age of 15 he was in a band called Gunshy, but the band broke up when Josh was 18. He then went on a television show called *Rock Star: Supernova* where he made it to the 15 finalists but was then sent home. In 2007, he formed his own

band called The Josh Logan Band. Josh has been singing for 20 years and when he had his audition he was not nervous and he thought it went well. He also went on to say that there is not much interaction with the coaches from *The Voice* and he performs everywhere he can. As Josh and I were talking and discussing his music and his life, I had the opportunity to find out some interesting things about him and *The Voice*. He is dating country singer, Olivia Henken, and they live in Kentucky. They were both on season 5 of *The Voice*, where the couple met. On *The Voice* Josh was hoping for CeeLo Green to turn his chair, but was the only coach who didn't. Josh also mentioned that Blake Shelton is the coolest guy!

## Comedian Jay Black performs at The Hut

By CJ MORAN  
Staff Writer

When Jay Black walked into the room at The Hut, he immediately got a laugh from the crowd – a trick he later said he uses every performance, because it softens the crowd. Whether that is true or not, laughter followed everything Black said. As he jumped from topic to topic, which covered anything and everything (from religion, politics, bodily functions, to even just everyday life), Black engaged with his audience. However, he did not directly 'pick on' people.

Instead, he asked an occasional question and made magic with the answer – it is guaranteed that certain parties will never again answer a question with "whatever."

This brought the audience comfort not found at many small comedian shows, because they were able to enjoy themselves without worrying about ridicule. He was not afraid to be self-defacing, and peppered the act with stories about himself, his family, and the amusing things they do.

At the end of his time, he left the audience with advice. 'Do what you love now, because the clock is ticking.' He gives this advice with his experiences in mind; before he was a comedian, Black was a teacher. However, this was not his passion, and after meeting his wife, also a teacher, he changed careers. His decision to follow that passion was wise – Jay Black is not a comedian who would ever go without calls for an encore.

## *Shame* captivates with compelling portrayal of addiction

By EVAN JOHNSON  
Sections Editor

*Shame* was released in 2011 by See-Saw Films and directed by Steve McQueen. The film stars Michael Fassbender as Brandon, a sex-addict living in New York City whose unexpected visit from his sister Sissy, who also is dealing with her own sexual issues, disrupts his lifestyle. Due to several scenes of explicit sexual content and graphic depictions of sexual addiction, the film was released with an NC-17 rating. An NC-17 is something that is not given out lightly by the MPAA but this film earned it. None of the sexual content in the film is gratuitous; it is actually uncomfortable to watch at most parts. Not just the sexual acts but the scenes of when Brandon is trying to date (unsuccessfully) and live his life while struggling with his addiction are actually some of the most uncomfortable scenes in the film.

The film is superbly acted, from the smallest mannerisms during casual conversations to complex facial expressions during deep conversations between the siblings Brandon and Sissy. Another aspect that was extremely well done is how Brandon goes about acting out his sexual addiction. He sometimes picks up women at bars, but prefers call-girls and women via online webcams. The dialogue between Brandon and the women is dead accurate. It seems so natural, as if you would walk into a



PHOTO COURTESY OF WIKIPEDIA  
Shame was directed by Steve McQueen

bar in NYC and see Brandon talking to a woman. Most of the film was shot in high-class settings but the lighting and mood of the films gives the overwhelming sense of depravation, which is something that is not easy to do.

The casting in the film is also top notch. All the women look believable in the roles that they were assigned. The call-girls look like call-girls, hookers look like hookers. The smallest roles were delicately casted because the filmmakers wanted to make every aspect

of Brandon's life believable. Aside from Brandon and Sissy, another noteworthy character is Marianne. Marianne represents Brandon's attempt at a normal relationship, due to his addiction though, problems predictably ensue between the two of them. Marianne is portrayed by Nicole Beharie, who dated Michael Fassbender for a bit after they met on the set of the film.

The acting and writing are probably the most noteworthy parts of the film but the soundtrack shouldn't go without mention. The music in the film blends classical music as well as rock music. Brandon often plays a record player at his apartment and he usually plays rock music. But, he often jogs at night as a way to deal with his sexual frustrations and just to exercise, when he does that he listens to classical music. It blends well with him jogging down the blocks of NYC. Music isn't featured too heavily in the film but when it is, it works more than well enough.

*Shame* was one of the best films of 2011 and in my opinion one of the best portrayals of addiction in the history of cinema. Not only because of the actors and writing but also because of the unforgiving depiction of addiction. Addiction isn't something that is new to the silver screen but sexual addiction is and I would consider this film to be the new standard for addiction drama in cinema. It is not going to be easy for a filmmaker to accomplish what Steve McQueen did with *Shame*.



# Hat-Trick sinks Mounties



PHOTO COURTESY OF GOMOUNTIES.COM  
Lentz, senior psychology major

MANSFIELD -- Lexie Palluconi recorded a hat-trick, including two goals in the first half, and IUP held off a determined Mansfield effort in the second half to down the Mountaineers 3-1 in a PSAC soccer match Saturday afternoon at the Soccer Field.

Palluconi scored her first goal off a deflected shot stopped by Mansfield goalie Rachel Fox in the 33rd minute putting the rebounded ball back past the diving keeper.

She scored again one minute later scoring off a fast break when the hard shot deflected off the keeper hands and into the net.

IUP held the 2-0 through halftime before Mansfield came out of the break on fire.

Senior Danielle Lentz stole the ball from a defender a little more than two minutes into the second half placing a shot under the goal keeper's gloves for her first goal

of the season and cutting the lead to 2-1. It was the seventh goal of her career tying her with Anita Valerio (2004-07) for 9th on the all-time career goals list.

Mansfield had numerous scoring opportunities in the half including shots on goal by Delaney Meadows in the 55th minute. Eleni Gebbia, Abbey Korber and Lentz each had shots on goal in the 61st, 64th and 68th minute respectively.

Palluconi iced the win with her third goal of the game with just less than three minutes to play.

Each team had nine shots on goal with IUP goalie Jessica Printz credited with eight saves and Mansfield's Rachel Fox six.

Mansfield travels to Daemen College on Wednesday in the Mountaineers only non-conference match of the season.

# Sunberg named as woman's assistant basketball coach



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Sunberg gets a warm welcome at MU

Mansfield University women's basketball head coach Michael Whitling has named former Gannon University standout Kelley Sundberg as his assistant coach.

"I am really excited to have Kelley join the program" said Whitling. "Kelley will do an amazing job and brings a wealth of playing experience and knowledge of the PSAC to our program."

Sundberg started 107 games at point guard in four seasons at Gannon, including every game during her sophomore, junior and senior seasons. She was a three-time All-PSAC West selection and helped the Golden Knights to three NCAA Tournament berths including the NCAA Atlantic Regional title in 2013 to advance to the Elite Eight. She

ranks fifth on the Gannon all-time assists list with 574 and 10th in free throw percentage at 76.8%.

With no prior experience, Sundberg played a season of lacrosse in her fifth year at Gannon where she started at midfield and scored 21 goals.

The Mansfield, Conn. native earned her B.S. in Exercise Science from Gannon in 2014 before completing her Masters in Nutrition and Exercise Sciences from the University of Tampa this summer.

Sundberg served as a personal trainer/group fitness instructor and a corporate wellness coach prior to joining the Mountaineers. She also has coaching experience at Gannon basketball camps.

## Alumni return for woman's soccer 15th season bash



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Woman's Soccer Alumni

Mansfield University and Mountaineer Athletes remind all women's soccer alumni to register online for the upcoming 15th Season celebration as part of LUMA 2016 on Saturday, September 17.

Mansfield, which started its women's soccer program in 2002, is currently in its 15th season of play.

Returning players and their families are invited to participate in the special

celebration that includes free post-game reception, limited-edition 15th season t-shirts and Mansfield women's soccer scarf to all returning players.

The former players will also be involved in pregame game ceremonies that include fireworks.

Kickoff is set for 1:30 p.m. against Pitt-Johnstown at Karl Van Norman Field.

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## Field Hockey falls on road to Ship



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Heisey travels down the field on her way to the goal

SHIPPENSBURG – No. 6 Shippensburg remained undefeated after a 5-0 win over Mansfield on Saturday in PSAC field hockey action at Robb Sports Complex.

Emily Barnard put Shippensburg (4-0, 0-0 PSAC) up early with her goal in the fourth minute before Emily Grazan made it a 2-0 game in the 10th minute. Barnard notched her second goal of the game in the 19th minute.

In the second half, Grazan scored another in the 52nd minute and Noelle Kephart

capped off the scoring with her goal in the 63rd minute.

Larissa Motts and Brogan Heisey each put shots on goal for Mansfield (1-2, 0-0 PSAC). Freshman keeper Brittany Ryan made six saves in her first collegiate appearance.

The game between the two PSAC opponents did not count toward the conference standings.

The Mountaineers host No. 8 Bloomsburg on Wednesday.

## Mounties pass SCS in overtime thriller



PHOTO COURTESY OF GOMOUNTIES.COM  
Teammates congratulate Lipski on a goal

Katie Lipski converted a game-winning penalty stroke in overtime to lift Mansfield past Southern Connecticut State on Sunday afternoon in the finale of the Dr. Art DeGenaro Field Hockey Classic at Karl Van Norman Field.

The penalty was called just two minutes into the first overtime period following a collision near goal on a Mansfield (1-1, 0-0 PSAC) scoring opportunity. Lipski was called on to end the game with what would become the third penalty stroke goal of her career.

The win is the first for Mansfield head coach Brittany Hansrote who brought in her first recruiting class this season. It snaps a 19-game losing streak that dates back to the final game of the 2014 season.

Southern Connecticut State (0-2, 0-0 NE-10) was first to get on the scoreboard with a Zoe Fanolis goal in the 25th minute.

The Mountaineers outshot the Owls 19-11 in the first half but were unable to push across a game-tying goal.

Mansfield evened the score in the 45th minute when Tatum Albertson swiped a Larissa Motts pass from the top of the circle into the left side of the cage. It was the first career goal for the sophomore.

The Mounties outshot their opponent 31-14 with 13 shots on goal in regulation, but neither team could score the game-winner. Mansfield also held a 16-7 penalty corner advantage in the game.

Freshman Christie Buyer continued to be a nuisance to opposing defenses, putting a team-high five shots on goal. Laura Lawson made 10 saves in the game.

Mansfield travels to No. 6 Shippensburg on Saturday for a game that does not count toward the PSAC standings.

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## PSECU offers free tickets to LUMA event

MANSFIELD – PSECU and Mansfield University have once again partnered to bring the campus and area community to the annual Light Up Mansfield Again (LUMA) event.

PSECU members and Mansfield University students can pick up free advance tickets to next Saturday night's University of Pennsylvania – Mansfield football game at the PSECU office located in Manser Hall starting this Friday.

Tickets will also be available at the PSECU tent located across from the front gates of Karl Van Norman Field starting Saturday afternoon on September 17. All current Mansfield University student with valid ID are free to all Mountaineer sporting events.

LUMA is part of Family & Friends Weekend featuring a pregame tailgate party with live bands, inflatables, games and vendors starting at 1 p.m. and running to 6:30 p.m. in the Allen Hall parking lot across from the stadium.

PSECU has been a corporate spon-



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This is the fourth LUMA event Mansfield has held.

sor for each of the first four LUMA celebration including this year's event which features the 125th Year Anniversary of

Mansfield football and the 15th season of the Mansfield women's soccer program along with the 124th anniversary of the

world's first night football game.

The women's soccer team will host Pitt-Johnstown at 1:30 p.m. on Saturday to kick-off the LUMA 2016 celebration. A special pregame ceremony will be held featuring returning field hockey alumni starting at 1:15 p.m. with fireworks.

At 7:20 p.m., Mansfield University will turn the lights on again by flipping the ceremonial switch and fireworks. Mansfield hosted the World's First Night Football game by playing Wyoming Seminary at Smythe Park in 1892 and didn't host another night football game until 2013, starting the LUMA tradition.

Halftime features a performance by the renowned Mansfield University the Spirit and the Pride of Pennsylvania Marching Band followed by more fireworks.

Mansfield will host Penn in Saturday night's game at Karl Van Norman Field in a CSFL matchup that will broadcast on regional television by SportsFever Television and streamed live nationwide on ESPN 3.

## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
16	17 Field Hockey at Seton Hill University: Noon  Woman's Soccer vs University of Pennsylvania at Johnstown 1:30 p.m.  Sprint Football vs University of Pennsylvania 7:30p.m.	18	19	20  Field Hockey vs Indiana University of Pennsylvania 4 p.m.	21  Woman's Soccer at West Chester University 2:00 p.m.	22
23	24  Field Hockey at Limestone College Noon	25  Field Hockey at Queen's College University of Charlotte 11:00 a.m.	26	27	28  Field Hockey at Bloomsburg University 4:00 p.m.	29

# The Flashlight

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## Strike date is set for October 19

By EVAN JOHNSON  
*Co-Editor-in-Chief*

Strike negotiations still have not produced further actions from either side. The date for the strike is Wednesday, October 19, 2016. The day is getting closer.

According to Dr. John Mansfield, President of Mansfield University's chapter of APSCUF, in the event of a strike, the fourteen universities will function separately, dealing with the strike in their own way. "All departments would be striking. Mansfield University had the best turnout for strike authorization," Mansfield said.

There are ways for students to get involved. For one thing, they can picket with the faculty in the event of a strike. "Student involvement is primary. A reoccurring problem is that APSCUF can't reply to a student's email. And they can't email students during a strike," Mansfield said. "PASSHE gets to say what they choose about APSCUF. We don't have access to students, except for The Flashlight."

The strike is a last resort for everyone, but if it happens, APSCUF has a plan. According to Dr. Mansfield, the strikers will picket outside the main entrances to the Mansfield University. There is no way to anticipate the length of a strike because APSCUF has never gone on strike.

Students can get involved by supporting their professors and advisors as well as visiting the APSCUF website. A big concern among upper-classmen is whether graduation will be pushed back. Mansfield had no definitive answer. "We don't want to strike. If graduation is pushed back, it will be because the state system pushed it back."

Graduation is not the only thing on students' minds. They paid a lot of money for classes. If classes are cancelled, they might lose that money. "APSCUF's position is that



Dr. Mansfield is Mansfield University's APSCUF chapter president. PHOTO COURTESY OF ALEXANDRIA MANSFIELD

if you're from PA and you go to one of the fourteen PA state schools, it should be covered financially by the state," Mansfield said.

APSCUF will strike in the event that no settlement is reached.

Besides the striking faculty, there will be other issues that will arise for students. Students have paid for room and board. "The other unions are supporting APSCUF," Mansfield said. If APSCUF strikes, the dining halls at Mansfield University will not have any staff because they will not cross

the picket lines.

A strike is not something to be taken lightly, especially as it has never been done. Stay in touch with your professors and advisor and keep up to date on the progress of the negotiations.



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## Campus Bulletin Board

- Tracy Morgan Picking Up The Pieces 2016 Tour. The event will be Saturday, October 8, 2016 at the Community Arts Center in Williamsport, PA. \$25 per ticket. Use code: Mansfield
- Perfectly Imperfect ft. Tracy Parker on Wednesday, October 19, 2016 at 3 p.m. - 5 p.m. in Alumni Hall, Room 307
- Open House at the Pennsylvania State Police Academy on Sunday, October 30, 2016 at 12 p.m. - 4 p.m.

- Mansfield Trunk or Treat on Monday, October 31, 2016 in Smythe Park at 5 p.m. - 6 p.m.

# POLICE BEAT

- **Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -**

10/3/16 - At approximately 1752 hours, the campus police station received a call for an odor of marijuana on the second floor, short wing of Sycamore. The smell was determined to be coming from room 239. Upon being allowed into the room by the occupants Evan Johnson and Perry White, the smell became stronger and a plastic bag was found covering the smoke detector. Perry White admitted to smoking marijuana

in the room and Evan Johnson admitted to covering the detector. Both of these individuals were referred Judicially.

9/30/16 - At approximately 1139 hours, a female victim reported that a male subject in a white in color four-door pickup truck struck her with a cup containing an unknown liquid. The object and its contents were thrown at the victim from inside the rear passenger compartment of the vehicle as it was traveling North along S. Academy Street. The vehicle then fled North along the same roadway away from that location. An investigation continues.

# World News

## Headlines from across the planet

*Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com*



**10/5/16 - Two Brussels police officers stabbed in terror attack, prosecutor says**

- A man stabbed two police officers in the Brussels district of Schaerbeek on Wednesday in what officials say was a terror attack
- Officers not in life threatening condition; Brussels remains on high terror alert
- No weapons found in search of suspect's home, prosecutor's office says

**10/5/16 - Portugal's Antonio Guterres poised to become next UN secretary-general**

- Former Portuguese Prime Minister Antonio Guterres is set to become the next United Nations secretary-general, after the 15 Security Council members agreed to put his name forward to a formal vote
- Guterres was previously PM of Portugal and head of the UN's refugee agency
- Eastern European nations had felt that it was time a candidate from their region won

**10/5/16 - Nobel Prize for chemistry awarded to 'molecular machine' trio**

- The 2016 Nobel Prize for Chemistry has been awarded to three European molecular scientists who developed the world's smallest machines
- Nano four-wheel drive car, tiny lift and molecular muscle built

- Royal Swedish Academy of Sciences says the technology could lead to a revolution

**10/4/16 - Girl killed in Aleppo picking up a cluster bomb**  
- Another child has been caught -- and killed -- in the human tragedy of Aleppo. A four-year-old girl has died after picking up a cluster bomb she thought was a toy  
- Girl picked up what she thought was a silver ball, family says  
- Regime airstrikes backed by Russia have intensified

**10/4/16 - Violence erupts at South Africa student protest**  
- Police fired tear gas, stun grenades and rubber bullets at protesters who were voicing frustration over the cost of university education at a Johannesburg university  
- Details of the unrest at Wits University on Tuesday were widely shared on social media. Some protesters threw rocks as police and private security guards tried to clear the scene However, Twitter users -- using the hashtag #feesmustfall -- said that some students also offered flowers to the police, and shouted "we want peace."  
- Student leader Mcebo Dlamini condemned "police brutality" but was later arrested, according to reports from witnesses at the scene

**10/4/16 - Turkish police use post-coup powers to shut down TV station**  
- Dramatic scenes unfolded Tuesday as Turkish police raided a television news station that had been ordered off the air by emergency decree  
- The station was one of 20 ordered shut by emergency decree last week  
- Turkey has suspended about 18% of the national police force for alleged Gulenist links

# The Spirit and Pride shine, despite their decrease in size

**By KLINE KAUFER**  
*Editor-in-Chief*

When I was deciding on a university to attend, Mansfield University stuck out in my mind for many reasons, but one of the biggest reasons was the marching band. I had watched several videos of their performances and was immediately hooked. When I was a freshman three years ago, the drum line had a special bond, similar to the one I had in my high school with my fellow drummers. This was an important part of my college career. Even though the marching band has decreased

in size this year, their sound continues to build. They proved this at the LUMA game when I was able to see the band perform at the game against University of Pennsylvania. I was surprised to learn that the band will not be traveling this year considering how active the band has been in years past.

“The MU Marching Band continues its tradition of musical excellence. We are currently reshaping some aspects of our program, and 2016 seems to be the perfect season to approach developing these opportunities. Traditionally, the band has done recruitment by performing off

campus at 2-3 events. These have included performing in exhibition at a number of high school marching festivals” Dr. Brennan said.

When I started marching band in 2013, the band had approximately 150 band members. It is unfortunate that the band keeps losing people, but as the enrollment at MU drop, it is a consequence. Some current members of the band will be sent to local marching festivals to help recruit and promote the music programs at MU. “As the saying goes, ‘As the university goes, so to, goes the band”” Brennan said. During my freshman there were talks for

an indoor drum line. Ever since that time, the hype seems to build every year and now that they are implementing this, I could not be more excited for the people involved and I am looking forward to seeing the finished product. Indoor drum lines are known around the country for having some of the most intricate and impressive music. WGI, which stands for Winter Guard International is similar to DCI, Drum Corp International with only percussion and color guard, no brass instrumentation. Brennan informed me that the indoor drum line show will be based on Greek or Roman Gods.

“The marching band has been an integral part of my college experience for all four of my years here. I, along with the majority of the band, will miss the band’s off-site performances, but I speak for the band when I say I am excited to be a part of this re-invention of the program, and introduction of the indoor drum line, indoor color guard, and WGI Winds program. I’m honored to be involved with the staff and Dr. Brennan who have collectively been blazing the trail for these programs that are sure to leave a lasting impact on the music department, and the school” Joe Turner, a four-year member of the drum line said.

## Erik Loomis author of *Out of Sight* comes to MU for presentation

**By CJ MORAN**  
*Staff Writer*

The author of *Out of Sight*, Dr. Eric Loomis, came to Mansfield on Thursday, September 29 to do a lecture, at 7 p.m. During his visit, he had lunch and dinner with students and professors. After lunch, I was able to ask Dr. Loomis a few questions about his writing.

Dr. Loomis is mostly Internet-based, and reads stories about world issues, like the ones about which he writes, such as environmental problems and labor problems. Because he reads so much about the troubles of the world, he has a mental stock of possible issues for future works. He chooses to focus on

the problems of society because he believes that if one has the opportunity to change the world, one should, and as he writes for both online publications and print publications, he has a viable platform.

Dr. Loomis goes with the flow of his work, and does not specifically set out a plan for his writing, because he finds himself stuck within the confines of strict plans. Instead, he has certain points he feels he needs to cover. He works within his publisher’s word limit, which, for *Out of Sight*, was about eighty thousand words. As any professor would be able to affirm, this word limit only serves to help Dr. Loomis clarify and edit his work, because he

has plenty to say about his topics. (Dr. Loomis, if one asks, could go even further into his subject than what he wrote in his book.) Along the topic of editing, if Dr. Loomis’ editor says that something does not work, he is open to changes. However, he does not use the edits immediately; he puts the criticisms away for a day or two, and then uses them. His work is his passion, which makes edits seem personal in the initial stages, especially if the edits touch on the fundamental idea of the work, instead of just clarifications or mechanics. Despite this, Dr. Loomis realizes that “writing is hard, and there is always a way to improve.”

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR						
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	Admissions Saturday Preview 9:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Dr. Joseph Murphy & Dr. Eun-Joo Kwak Faculty Recital 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Admissions Bus Visit: Trio Group from Corning Community College 10:0 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.	Chow with the Chaplains 11:30 a.m.	The Photo project & and information session	Health vs. Unhealthy - Red Flag Campaign 6:00 p.m.
	Alana Young, Senior Saxophone Recital 1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	OcTUBAfest 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	The Hunt Ground - Red Flag Campaign 6:00 p.m.	Fall Fest presented by State Farm 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	How to use Linked-In and build your professional network 5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Thursday Night Live: Music-Comedy-Performing Arts Entertainment Programming 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
	Virginia Davis, Senior Tuba Recital 2:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.		Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	Tuesday Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	Open mic night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:55 p.m.	
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Homecoming Weekend 2016 All Day	PRISM 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.	MU Symphony Orchestra & Wind Ensemble Concert 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Worship Night at The Hut 7:00 p.m.	Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.		
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### **BRINGING IT HOME**

The Mounties most successful drive of the night going 57-yards on six-plays capped off by a 24-yard touchdown reception by freshman D.J. Mclean Jr. from sophomore quarterback Adam Hutchinson to cut Penn's lead to 10-7 lighting up the scoreboard for Mansfield.



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## Political Science club holds debate viewing

By CJ Moran  
Staff Writer

On September 26, the political science club hosted a presidential debate party in Hickory's multipurpose room. The political science club, which has been around for about 12 years and currently has about 15 members. The club is lead this year by president Maranda McKean and vice president Andrew Green. Its advisor is Dr. Jonathan Rothermel, a political science professor. The club registers people to vote and has parties for debates. They will continue to register people to vote, as Election Day looms closer, though the deadline for registering in Pennsylvania is October 11.

For this event, the club provided popcorn and ice cream, as well as debate bingo, which featured squares that guessed at phrases the candidates would use, or topics they would mention. In attendance were over sixty people, which included students, two political science professors, and two members of the Channel 18 news crew. The genders of the students were equal, but more donations for

the club went into the jar with Trump's face on it than did for Clinton's, or the jar labeled 'Independent.'

Throughout the debate, the crowd kept it quiet enough to hear what the candidates were saying, though they did get antsy when the moderator asked the candidates questions about race. However, that was the worst the crowd got in terms of noise, excepting the reactions to the more outrageous statements the candidates made. At one point, an audience member even clapped when the moderator commented on the unconstitutionality of the 'stop and frisk' policy Trump supports. The audience, for the most part, stayed for the entire length of the debate. At the end of the debate, supporters of both sides thought that their candidate won, though there were a few snarky comments about how 'America as a whole lost the debate', and it was widely decided that neither side gave any new information.

## MU Chemsitry Club hears Nobel Laurate speak

By Terry Day

The Mansfield University Chemistry Club attended a lecture by Nobel Laurate Roald Hoffman held at Elmira College on September 23.

The lecture, entitled "Protochemistries Are a Bridge," presented the superb chemistry done by people before there were professional chemists.

Examples included the pre-Inca peoples of South America plating gold onto copper, the vibrant blue-purple pigments the ancient Egyptians were using as paint, and the very expensive blue dye used by Romans and Middle-Eastern peoples to

signify royalty that was obtained from a certain sea snail.

Hoffman shared the 1981 Nobel Prize in Chemistry with Kenichi Fukui. He has taught at Cornell University since 1965, now as the Frank H. T. Rhodes Professor of Humane Letters Emeritus.

The lecture, held as part of the monthly meeting of the Corning Section of the American Chemical Society, was open to the public and attended by students from other local colleges and professional chemists from local industry.



Photo Courtesy of Terry Day

The Chemistry Club is a well-known club on campus

## The first Flash Fiction: I'm Enough

By Hannah Grover  
Staff Writer

She kissed me, but it didn't register until after her lips left mine. They tingled and sent a shock through my whole nervous system. I never thought this was possible. I'd gone my whole life thinking I wasn't going to be beautiful enough or feminine enough for someone to fall in love with me. My dad had always said I never looked like a girl because I didn't wear earrings. My sister called me a fat Dutch girl when I chopped my hair off last summer. My mom thought wearing make-up would help, but when I put it on, it never felt natural to me.

We'd been dating for a few months, but we different from mine—she had two moms, she never went to church, she was free to express herself in any way she liked. I was raised in the church, by a mom and a dad who loved the Lord and loved church and instilled that love in me. I was conservative and shy. I never really liked guys, and I grew up assuming they'd never find an interest in me, because I wasn't girly enough.

I definitely wasn't like my sister. Her favorite color is pink, she buys anything that will make her stand out. One Christmas, she made me a list of requirements for her present: pink, sparkly, and loud. I ended up getting her a pink hoody with silver glitter all over it. She loved it and wore it everywhere the rest of the winter. It was far from anything I'd ever wear. Me, I wore comfortable clothes—you could hardly ever find me wearing a skirt or a dress. I was as far from girly as I could get, and I convinced myself that I was fine that way, I didn't need anyone—I had school to keep me busy.

That was when Keri walked into my life, right when I least expected it. She took my hand after class, asked if I was going to lunch and said she'd walk with me. She

asked me a series of questions about myself and listened closer than anyone I'd ever had a relationship with. I only know that she was listening to me, because the next day she'd asked me about something I'd said the day before—that was when I realized how much she cared. But she was a friend. Over the next few weeks, we got to know each other well. We got to talking about relationships, about girls, and then she asked if I'd be her girlfriend. I didn't hesitate—I said yes.

I'd always wanted to be open-minded about being with girls. I wanted to try, especially with Keri. She seemed so nice, she seemed to care, to actively take an interest in me. Even though, in the back of my head, my parent's voices were urging me to run away, I couldn't pull away from her. She was there for me. I made every effort to be there for her. And by and by, we seemed to be inseparable—we'd go everywhere together, we'd wait for each other in between classes, we'd go to meals together. And slowly, I found myself falling in love.

It was the eve of our four-month anniversary and we were sitting together on a bench at night. We were looking down at the town below, enjoying the cool night air, the black sky and the shining stars. We weren't talking about finals, we weren't talking about that Saturday, when I had to leave, but it weighed on our minds, regardless. I looked at her, studied her face, the way the moon lit up her round face, the way her wavy brown hair fell down around her shoulders like a river of melted chocolate. She was beautiful. She was everything I'd ever ask for.

Suddenly, her lips were on mine, her fingers in my hair, and, for the first time in my whole life, I was enough.

## MU Fisheries Students Assist in Green Career

By Terry Day

Mansfield University Fisheries students Cory Sauve, Josh Grassi, and Zach Horner, along Assistant Professor Greg Moyer, participated in Green Career Day at Mt. Pisgah State Park on September 28.

The MU group worked with area eighth grade students who wanted to be fisheries biologists for a day. Students participated in the electrofishing of fish on MU's boat in an effort to learn how fisheries scientists sample lakes.

Green Career Day is sponsored by Mt. Pisgah State Park. It was attended by more than 160 eighth graders from 12 area school districts across the Northern Tier of Pennsylvania. The event is designed

to provide students with the opportunity to experience various potential careers associated with the outdoors.

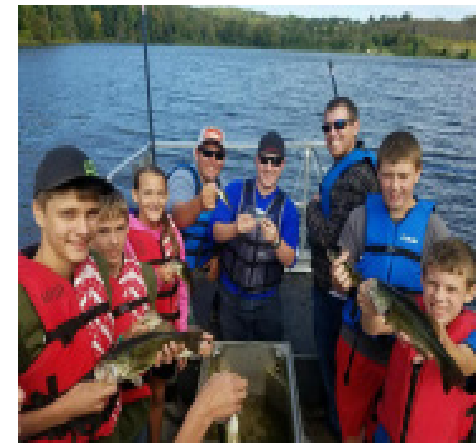


Photo Courtesy by Terry Day

The Fisheries program is unique to MU



## Peaky Blinders season three review

By EVAN JOHNSON

*Editor-in-Chief*

Peaky Blinders season three started off with Thomas Shelby and Company at a place that we've really never seen them before. A place of luxury, a place of refinement and class. The Shelby Family is adjusting as best as they can to their new surroundings. They are used to living in dirty old Birmingham and not a place of such class. Most of them also aren't prepared for the troubles that come with dealing with members of high society. The Shelby Family is used to knowing where they stand with one another and that's not how the high class members operate. They prefer to say one thing to your face and do something else entirely behind your back.

Tommy is the only one that seems to be adjusted to the new life. I think it's easier for him with a new addition to the Shelby Family. I won't say anything particular about the new addition but if you have seen the second season then you should have a good idea about who it is. But, tragedy befalls Tommy and the rest of his family early in the season, causing Tommy to trust his instinct and go back to his criminal ways because they have worked so well for him in the past.

Trust is a big part of season three. Trust in all aspects of Shelby life. Every character has changed since we last saw them. I already mentioned Tommy, but two big changes in characters were Michael and Arthur. Michael seems to, as I predicted previously, become more immersed in the gangster lifestyle but he still mainly is about business. Arthur is no longer the animal that he once was and the reason for his change is a little bit too cliché for my taste. Don't get me wrong, his character is still one of my favorites in the show but I prefer him to be a rabid animal as opposed to a tame one.

The story in season three also wasn't my favorite, I preferred the story in seasons one and two more. I'm not saying that season three wasn't good, but it seemed to be a little bit too much at times. Especially when it came to the scenes with the Russians. The Russians were good antagonists for the season, but not the best the series has seen. This season was definitely stronger in the beginning than it was towards the end. It didn't fall apart at the end but it definitely didn't end as strong as previous seasons.

The music is one of my favorite parts of the show and it has been prominent in other seasons. There is usually a blend of funky blues-rock with an ethereal soundtrack. This season had the same music blend but I felt that it could have been done in different scenes and better. Don't get me wrong; I still really enjoyed the music in this season, just not as much as previous seasons. In previous seasons, the music sometimes was more significant than what was on the screen. That unfortunately didn't happen in season three.

This season wasn't the strongest for Peaky Blinders, in terms of characters and storytelling but it still was a good season. Aside from what I mentioned previously in the article, another problem that I had was the fact that I usually knew how it would end up for the Shelby Family throughout the season. The previous seasons had a decent way of keeping us on our toes throughout the season, but not in season three. It was kind of predictable, especially if you have seen the previous seasons. I still recommend this show and this season, but I recommend watching the previous two seasons first because they are television at it's finest. Season three is simply good television.



Photo courtesy by Independent

## RA DIY activities become a popular event

By TORI ROZELL

*Staff Writer*

The RAs of the MU Residence Halls have created some fun activities for all students. They have a DIY every Wednesday and on different days they have other activities like cooking. The students can attend each event with no cost to them and they are in different Residence Halls, which gives them the opportunity to meet fellow students of all ages. At the first DIY, the students made stress balls and the second one they made Fall bookmarks.

Although I couldn't interview the RAs who help run each event, it is obvious that they love what they do. I feel that it connects them more to the students especially the students in their Residence Hall. Other fun activities that the RAs hold include Hickory Hoedown and OAKtoberfest. The RAs in Hickory also

cook with the residence hall occupants. They made smores on a Monday night and on a Wednesday night they baked cookies and let the students decorate them. I went to decorate cookies with RA Katie and RA Sarah and I had a blast. They baked the cookies and let the students decorate them. They provided numerous decorating items including icing, sprinkles and icing pens. The kitchen was full of laughter and smiles.

The activities the RAs put together are such a great bonding experience for both student and RA. Every Wednesday they do DIYs and they post when they are doing other activities through the signs they make and post throughout each Residence Hall. It is a great experience for all and maybe you can check it out one night and join RAs and fellow students!

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## Army wears down Mounties at West Point

WEST POINT, NY – Mansfield turned the ball of five times and Army recorded seven sacks in downing a depleted Mansfield 58-0 in a CSFL contest at West Point Saturday afternoon.

The Mountaineers ended the game on the Army three-yard line as time expired and twice drove deep into Army territory in the first quarter.

Mansfield received the opening kickoff and picked up a first down of the first play of the game when sophomore quarterback Adam Hutchison hit senior wide out Kurt Logan for 15-yards to the Mansfield 41, but things turned south shortly after for the Mountaineers.

Two incompletions and a 1-yard run by Keith Brown forced a Mansfield punt that was partially blocked and was returned 63 yards by Seth Wills for a touchdown and 7-0 Army lead.

The Mountaineers came right back on their next drive, moving the ball down to the Army 29-yard line after a 16-yard completion from Hutchison to Logan. Mansfield move into the red-zone on the next play when freshman Devyn Nelson ran for five yards to the Black Knight 24.

But two straight penalties against Mansfield followed by a 14-yard sack and intentional grounding penalty moved the ball back to the



Army 48-yard line ending the drive.

A banged-up Mountaineer defense played exceptionally well, holding Army to a three-and-out on its next drive. Army downed the punt at the Mansfield 2-yard line and the Mountaineers faced a 3rd-and-11 from their own one-yard line. Hutchison then found freshman D.J. McLean Jr. with a 33-yard pass, followed by a 12-yard strike to Logan to put Mansfield on its own 46. One play later Hutchison hooked up with Logan again, this time for 16-yards to put the Mountaineers on the Black Knight's 38-yard line.

Mansfield's drive ended there but the defense again held Army to a three-and-out and

held the Black Knights on yet another three-and-out as the first quarter ended with Army leading 7-0.

Army mounded a 11-play 43-yard scoring drive when running back Marqus Burrell ran it in from 2-yards out on a third-and-goal with 10 minutes left in the first half.

Army turned up its defensive effort, pressuring the quarterback the rest of the afternoon recording seven times and forcing four interceptions one of which was returned for a touchdown.

Mansfield, which was without the services of a number of key defensive starters, wore down

midway through the third quarter.

The Mountaineers actually held a halftime advantage in total offense but Army racked up 300 yards of total offense in the second half.

Hutchison completed 13 of 34 passes for 144 yards while freshman Drew Spurback came in relief in the fourth quarter completing 7-of-10 passes for 57 yards. Logan had five catches for 76 yards while McLean Jr., caught five passes for 61 yards.

Devyn Nelsen topped the running game picking up 44 yards on 11 carries.

Sophomore Isaac Havens led an inspirational defensive effort with a game-high 12 tackles while freshman Michael Johnson had seven tackles. Freshman Nic Anastasi was credited with six tackles while seniors Doug Bird and Mike Bucek each had five stops apiece along with sophomore Trey Gibson and freshman Ja'shaun Smith. Senior Kyle Post had four solo tackles and block a field goal attempt.

Army quarterback Keegan West rushed for 101 yards and two touchdowns while completing 6-of-10 passes for 85 yards and a touchdown all in the second half.

Mansfield has a bye next weekend before hosting Franklin Pierce on Oct. 15 for Homecoming.

## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

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PHOTOS COURTESY OF TORI ROZELL  
Faculty and students hold signs along South Academy Street demanding contract negotiations that are fair to State School faculty.

## Students and faculty strike

By **KLINE KAUFER**  
and **EVAN JOHNSON**  
*Editor-in-Chiefs*

The APSCUF strike started Wednesday morning, October 19. The negotiations between PASSHE and APSCUF have been going on for over a year and APSCUF decided that striking for what they consider to be a fair contract was necessary. All 14 PASSHE schools started striking on October 19 and as of writing this article, the strikes are still going on. Each PASSHE School handles the strike differently and Mansfield is no exception.

Striking started outside Mansfield University at approximately 7:00 a.m. The striking faculty was all off school property. They were striking outside the First United Methodist Church of Mansfield, which is directly across from the Mansfield University sign and the other strikers were striking outside South Academy Street.

APSCUF and PASSHE have been negotiating relentlessly before the strike and in the early morning

hours of October 19, PASSHE left the negotiation for the night. The striking faculty at Mansfield had strong feeling about the negotiations and the chancellor, Frank Brogan. "He's [Frank Brogan] dead wrong. Strikers feel that Brogan should be fired. PASSHE pulled a maintenance switch. PASSHE has been negotiating and putting something onto the table that they once took off," history professor, Dr. Andrew Gaskiewicz said. When asked about the length of the strike, he added, "All day Wednesday and as long as it takes, but we're hoping it's short."

"We're here to the bitter end." Professor Matthew Haner added. Dr. Charles Hoy talked about the history of universities striking in the U.S. "The longest strike was Temple, which was approximately a month. It was detrimental for future enrolment for subsequent years," Hoy said. There is also a strong possibility that a prolonged strike would affect prospective incoming students for the PASSHE schools now.

The striking faculty had

much to say about the reasons for striking. "We have been working without a new contract for over a year. The main faculty is getting the impression that PASSHE doesn't want to cooperate for a new contract." Dr. Timothy Madigan said. He went on further about the idea of schooling being treated as a business instead of an education for students. "People in Harrisburg are more in-line with the business model. They are treating students like customers," Madigan said. According to the picketing professors striking is a last resort and nothing the faculty wanted to do, but they are dedicated and want to get back in the classroom and teach the aspiring minds who yearn for higher education.

"I am striking in solidarity with my peers and colleagues across the system for quality education for our students. We ask nothing more of the state than we ask of our students – excellence," Professor Louise Sullivan-Blum said.

There were several students striking with the professors to show their

support. Students brought pizza, coffee and donuts for them and could even be seen standing alongside the faculty.

"It would be more effective if students protested, rather than just not attending classes," Senior Mass Communications student Kayla Russell said.

Contrary to students who were picketing, some students who were there felt their professors who continued to teach throughout the strike were doing their job and the right thing for their higher education.

"He [Dr. Justin Crowl] wants to be out here, but he's putting education first," Junior Criminal Justice student Becca Minihan said. As of right now it is unclear as to how long the strike will continue. PASSHE and APSCUF still have not reached an agreement. As far as the foreseeable future, the faculty who has been on the picket lines will continue to be on strike. For more updates, it is encouraged to visit the APSCUF and PASSHE websites.



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# Info-To-Go

## Campus Bulletin Board

Zeta Tau Alpha Presents Big Man On Campus - Male Pageant on Thursday, October 27 in North Manser. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. & Pageant starts 6 p.m., Admission is \$5.00 but \$3.00 if you wear pink.

Phi Mu Alpha Family Feud on November 8 and 9 from 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m. at Upper Manser

Extra Life is a 12 Hour Gaming Marathon starting November 5 at 10 a.m. in all the multipurpose rooms at the residence halls. Each residence hall will have a different theme. More info will be available as it gets

closer to the event.

Senior Transitions Coneference on November 12 at the Best Western Country Cupboard Inn in Lewisburg, PA. The deadline for the event is October 21 and the registration fee is \$10

Sisters of Sophia's 2nd Annual Sadie Hawkins Dance on November 18 in North Manser at 8 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.

# POLICE BEAT

- Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -

10/6/16 - At 10:30 p.m. police were called to Hickory room 229 for a possible alcohol violation. Upon arrival police made contact with Laura Saitta and Brittany Bollhorst. Upon further investigation it was discovered that Saitta was in possession of a bottle wine. Both Saitta and Bollhorst admitting to consuming the wine. Saitta was charged for possession of alcohol by a minor, and both were judicially referred.

# World News

## Headlines from across the planet

*Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com*



### 10/19/16 - Wreckage of U-boat sunken by 'sea monster' found off UK

- A sunken German submarine from World War I that was said to have been taken down by a sea monster has been discovered off the coast of Scotland  
- U-boats were used by Germany in WWI to attack Britain's food supply  
- Crews doing a survey to lay a new power cable on sea floor found wreck

### 10/19/16 - Police van plows into protesters outside US Embassy in Manila

- Anti-American protests outside the US embassy in the Philippines capital of Manila ended violently on Wednesday when a police van repeatedly plowed into the crowd  
- 12 people injured in clashes outside US Embassy  
- Activists were protesting against US ties, during President Duterte's trip to China

### 10/19/16 - Typhoon Haima slams Philippines in second storm in a week

- Officials in the Philippines warned that Typhoon Haima, which made landfall late Wednesday, could be even stronger than Haiyan in 2013, which left more than 6,000 dead

- Typhoon Haima, packing the winds of a Category 4 hurricane, makes landfall  
- After hitting the Philippines, it's expected to veer northwest toward the Chinese coast

### 10/19/16 - American father and son sentenced to 10 years in Iranian prison

- Iranian-Americans Baquer Namazi and his son Siamak have been sentenced to 10 years in prison  
- Baqer and Siamak Namazi were ordered to pay a \$4.8 million fine  
- Iranian news agency reports father and son were paid by United States for "anti-Iran activities"

### 10/18/16 - US Marines seek presence in Norway amid Russian tensions

- Norway may soon host a rotational force of US Marines -- a move that could send a chill down Russian President Vladimir Putin's spine  
- The American request, confirmed in a statement from the commanding officer of Marine forces in Europe, comes as tensions between the US and Russia are increasing amid the humanitarian disaster in Syria and US assertions of Russian involvement in cyber hacks on American political organizations and individuals  
- The move would allow the US and Norway militaries to work more closely together

### 10/18/16 - UN's special envoy warns 'Aleppo will not be there anymore'

- Staffan de Mistura says Aleppo should not be forgotten during battle for Iraqi city of Mosul  
- UN says Thursday's eight-hour pause won't affect aid operations



# SGA and President Hendricks host town hall meeting

By HANNAH GROVER  
*Staff Writer*

SGA president, Kiana Medley, and President Hendricks hosted a Town Hall Meeting in Straughn Hall on October 18 at 4:30 p.m to discuss the faculty strike, which occurred the following morning. Dr. John Ulrich, Dean of Students, and other important administrators were also in attendance. Over two hundred students came to the meeting.

The Association of Pennsylvania State Colleges and University Faculties (APSCUF) have been in negotiations with the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE) for over 475 days. Just last month, APSCUF declared the strike date for October 19, should the two groups not come to a compromise on their contract before then. Since last Friday, APSCUF and PASSHE have been in intensive negotiation meetings to try and reach an agreement in order to avoid a strike. It has been said that neither side wants APSCUF to strike, but most teachers are willing to strike if they have to.

At the Town Hall meeting, President Hendricks began by first telling the audience that he would not discuss any part of the negotiations currently going on between the two groups, but he did say that the only thing that would cause a strike to happen is the APSCUF representatives at the negotiation table decide to leave the negotiation table. A student asked

about the security of the faculty who were on the picket line in case of a strike, and the students on campus who are trying to get around the picket line, to which he responded that the safety of students and faculty, even those who are on the picket line, is a major concern and that he has talked to both campus police and the borough police in order to keep the campus as safe as possible.

President Hendricks addressed the issue with professors not discussing the strike, by saying that each professor individually can make a choice about whether to strike or not. It's up to the faculty's discretion to disclose whether or not they are picketing, which is why the President has no idea who will show up to work tomorrow and who won't, should there be a strike. He also encouraged students not to judge their professors either way, whether they are striking or not.

President Hendricks also addressed a rumor going around about Sudexo and other university employees respecting the strike and not coming to campus by saying that it was false and that the University will not close should there be a strike, even if the strike goes on for an extended period of time. There is a contingency plan, which is mostly keeping record of who is teaching and who isn't, keeping the residence halls and the dining hall open, and he also said that he is working to increase activities for students should the strike go on

for a long time.

All clubs and extra-curricular activities will go on as planned. Campus life will go on, business as usual, unless your professor is on the picket line and you won't be in class.

Another rumor was addressed concerning the takedown of Desire2Learn. President Hendricks assured students that D2L would not be shut down, and that if professors choose to take things off of D2L, they can, but they must put everything back up when they resume teaching class. D2L is backed up every day, so no information will be lost. But professors would not be unable to contact students in any way.

A concerned student asked how the strike might affect seniors who are planning to graduate in December. President Hendricks remained optimistic that all seniors planning to graduate would still graduate as planned. He stated that students are the first priority to him and the faculty and all university employees and he is committed to students. As such, he will work with the provost and deans to come up with a plan to make sure that seniors graduate on time for class. He said that when the strike ends, classes will resume as usual and everyone will pick up where they left off. He said that should the strike go on for an extended period of time, scheduling of classes may shift—some classes may have to be taken at night or on the weekends to make up for

lost time. He stated that the semester will probably not be extended should the strike be prolonged, because they have an established deadline, December 16, and that everything has to get done by then.

A concern about G.I. finding was brought up by a student veteran. President Hendricks stated that he would work with each student vet individually and that, most likely, the school would have to pay back the government and the government would then have to pay the students. He said he was worried because time can't be given back and G.I. funding only lasts a certain amount of time. When a student brought up a question about coaches striking, President Hendricks seemed very concerned. "We can make up a class, we can't make up a game," he said, "PESAC has rules that state if a team does not show up to a game, they forfeit." He hopes that since the coaches have not declared a strike date that they won't strike.

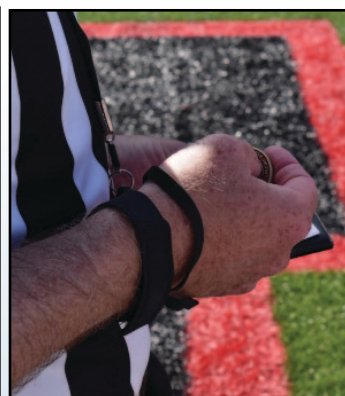
President Hendricks ended the session with optimism. "We're going to get through it," he said, "Believe me, everyone will be anxious to get back. Our commitment from the university, from the staff, from the faculty, from your President is you. It's all about you. We're going to do our best to get you out of here on time."

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28	29  MU Jazz Band & Mans- fieldians Concert 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	30  Saxophone Studio Recital 12:30 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.  Choral Collage 2:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.  Derek Young, Senior Piano Recital 6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	31  Mondat Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	1  Chow with the Chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesday Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	2  Wednesday Open Mic Night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:55 p.m.	3  Thursday Night Live @ The Hut - Live Music - Comedy - Performing Arts & En- tertainment Programming 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.



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**INTRODUCING THE 2016 HOMECOMING COURT OF MANSFIELD.** Rachel Hohenwarter was named Homecoming Queen and Lascelles Boothe was named Homecoming King. The royal couple was crowned by MU President Fran Hendricks during halftime ceremonies of the Mountaineers football game against Franklin Pierce University on Saturday.

**THE LEGACY LIVES ON.** Richard "Riki" Kimble '89 (football), Patricia Masters O'Neill '91 (softball), Scott Setzer '96 (wrestling) and Robert "Bobby" Widhson '76 (football) were enshrined. Following a banquet in North Manser, the new Hall of Famers were also honored during the Homecoming Parade and at Van Norman Field prior to the start of Saturday's game.

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### A CLOSE FINISH FOR THE MOUNTAINEERS.

A neck-in neck nail biter when Hutchison marched the Mountaineers down the field. Finding his receivers near the sideline-ending the drive with 14-yard touchdown pass to McLean in coverage to bring Mansfield within six points and just seven seconds. One of the most dramatic endings of the season and truly an energizing game and a close finish, Mansfield 13, Ravens 19.



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# STRIKE!

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*Production Manager*

**4:57 AM, ON OCTOBER 19, 2016.** The 477th day of working under an expired contract, APSCUF officially went on strike. The faculty union officially rejecting the contract proposed by PASSHE following five days of intense discussion and deliberation. Students rallied behind the faculty, supporting the decision made nearly a month ago in an overwhelming majority to authorize a strike on October 19. When discussions fell through late in the night

on October 18th, APSCUF went through with a strike, a message that resounded across all 14 of the PASSHE Universities.

“To stand in solidarity with the faculty at Mansfield, only one word comes to mind: natural. There is no other place that the students should be right now. The faculty are the people that day in and day out go above and beyond for their students. As they continue to do so, it seems only right to return the favor. They are what makes Mansfield University,” Alison Herbert said.



Mansfield University Student, Olivia Penrod stands in support of the APSCUF Strike and our faculty as well as all the PASSHE Faculty.



Students from Majors all over campus came out to support their faculty. It is estimated that nearly 200 students took a stance at today's strike, to raise awareness for their campus professors. Taking a moment of their time to support the faculty who give so much of theirs.



A CHORUS OF HORNS RESOUNDED FROM ROUTE 6 IN MANSFIELD PA, as passing motorists signaled their support for our faculty who took a stand for fair treatment. The Mansfield faculty were accompanied by Mansfield students who joined them standing shoulder to shoulder at the entrance to Mansfield University's Campus. Growing from a handful of faculty and students in the early morning, the group stood throughout the day to tell PASSHE we're not about to compromise on education.





# Political Strategist Jessica Byrd Gives Lecture at Allen Hall

By CJ MORAN  
Staff Writer

On October 7 Jessica Byrd, a political strategist and founder of Three Point Strategies, a company based on finding candidates that better represent the United States and putting them into positions of governmental leadership, gave a lecture at Allen Hall. Before the lecture, she had a discussion over lunch with students of the political science, English, history, and even chemistry departments.

After lunch, I asked Byrd what advice she would give to a woman just starting in politics, and she answered that she urges women to figure out which issues wake them up in the morning, and then channel that interest into action. This answer likely comes from Byrd's own experience -- she took a break year in college to work on President Obama's first presidential campaign. His election into office is one of her most memorable political assists. She says her other noteworthy political assists come from her work in a candidate finder program. Of the minority candidates her program helped run for office, all fifty won their campaigns. Additionally, Byrd recommends going to organizations, especially grassroots groups and volunteering. It was through her persistence in volunteering and her willingness to be the first one there and the last to leave that she was able to get to where she is now.

As Byrd does so much work with minority candidates, she is well-versed in ways to start conversations about race, even at conservative colleges. First, she looks to the basis of what the conversation's goals are. Oftentimes, the conversation leans toward education -- so many conversations about race are avoided because people simply do not know the language for what they want to say, and are afraid of offending. For this reason, Byrd would add information about race into curricula of schools. She, and many other activists, believe that more education would help demystify the country's discussions involving race.

In her own company, Three Point Strategies, Byrd plans to bring growth. She wants to work with as many people as possible, in order to find candidates who truly represent their communities. This pursuit, she says, will involve cooperation with EMILY's list, an organization for which she has previously worked. EMILY's list works to find pro-choice, democrat, female candidates to run for office. However, Three Point Strategies is not limited to only female candidates, though Byrd does love to find female candidates. Even at the lunch discussion, she urged the mostly-female crowd to 'be brave, be willing to fight, but also be willing to compromise.'



Photo courtesy of Essence

Byrd is founder of Three Point Strategies.

## PCSW Presents CNN Documentary "The Hunting Ground"

By HANNAH GROVER  
Staff Writer

On Monday, October 10th, the President's Commission on the Status of Women presented the CNN documentary, "The Hunting Ground," which discusses sexual assaults on college campuses. This was one event of many during the Red Flag Campaign, which promotes awareness of sexual assault on campus.

One in five female students are sexually assaulted on college campuses each year and, until recently, several colleges in the United States, including top Ivy League universities like Harvard and Berkely were completely unsympathetic to the victims of sexual assault and even, in some cases, rewarded the known perpetrator.

The documentary is eye-opening, not only because it reveals what college administrators really care about, but also because of the many victims who were assaulted on their campus and were unable to get help from the people they thought they could trust. Under no circumstance should anyone judge a victim's behavior surrounding the assault. No one should blame a victim, no matter what the circumstance is. Under



Photo Courtesy of Twitter

The Hunting Ground was a critical success going on to win multiple critics choice awards.

Title IX, colleges must not discriminate against a student based on their gender, and to refuse to help a victim of sexual assault is a direct violation.

After watching the documentary, there was a brief discussion where students asked questions they had regarding the film. Dr. Purk encouraged students that there

is a safe way to report sexual assault on campus. There is a link on the bottom of the university website, and students who want to report a rape can contact Dr. Nigel Long, the Title IX coordinator.

All professors are mandated reporters, meaning that if a student tells them about a rape or sexual assault, the professor

must report it; however, students who are unsure of what to do can seek guidance at the H.A.V.E.N. office in Pinecrest. If students have any questions in general, they can also go to the Women's Center, room 321 in Alumni Hall.



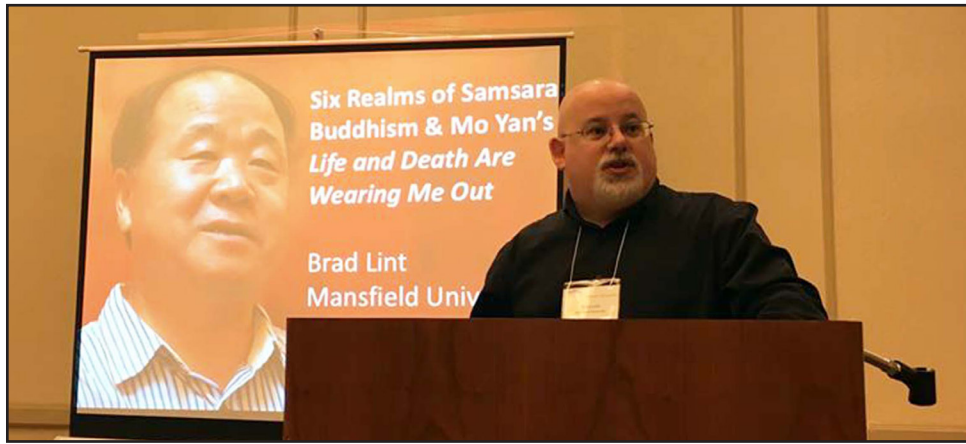


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Brad Lint got his Ph. D. from Indiana University.

## Professor presents at conference for Chinese and Asian Studies

Brad Lint, assistant professor of English at Mansfield University, presented “Six Realms of Samsara: Buddhism and Mo Yan’s Life and Death Are Wearing Me Out” at the 70th annual Rocky Mountain Modern Language Association (RMMLA) Conference in Salt Lake City, UT on October 6.

In addition to his teaching responsibilities, Lint serves as MU’s US-China Exchange Coordinator.

RMMLA is the country’s top conference for Chinese and Asian studies. Among the 500

presenters this year, 50 scholars of Chinese and comparative Asian literature presented in 15 panels in six subject areas: Chinese Literature and Film since 1900, Chinese Literature and Film before 1900, Chinese Poetry, Chinese Reportage Literature, Asian Comparative Literature and Film, and Asian Film and Performance.

Next year, Lint will chair the Asian Comparative Literature and Film panel. At the RMMLA Conference.

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## MU Professor publishes work and takes on editor role

Justin N. Crowl, assistant professor of Criminal Justice Administration (CJA) at Mansfield University, recently published two reference works in *Lockdown Nation: An Encyclopedia of Controversies and Trends in American Prisons*.

The first piece discusses treatment in US prisons, while the other examines the cost of prisons.

Additionally, Crowl recently became the production editor for *Police Practice and Research (PPR)*, a peer-reviewed, international journal that presents current and innovative police research from around the world.

In this role, he oversees the publication of the journal and editorial work, including proofreading, copyediting, and the composition/layout of each issue. He also reviews articles, ensuring adherence to journal-specific policies, and coordinates the online and print publication of journal issues.

Crowl also serves as the editor for *Working Paper Series*, an online journal affiliated with the International Police Executive Symposium and PPR.

## Flash Fiction: *Final Thoughts*

By EVAN JOHNSON  
*Co-Editor-in-Chief*

Time waits for no one, except me. It waits at an agonizingly slow rate that has been gradually moving since I first developed my power. My power is that I know the fate of everyone and everything in the universe. You may be reading this and thinking that I am lying or if you are one of the few people that believe me, then you probably wonder why it seems like I am complaining about it. I’ll explain. The main purpose of our existence on Earth is to experience life and learn from our experiences. I can’t learn from anything or truly live if I already know everything that will happen to everyone that will ever live or die.

It started after I technically died when I was fifteen-years old and my heart stopped for an amount of time that the doctors say it was impossible for me to come back from. It didn’t start right after that incident, it started when I first got a shower after that incident and has been occurring in every shower that I have taken since them. Each drop of water that hits me sends a jolt through my brain that shows me images of the future. It started off small, for example I saw in the shower one morning that I would hit a groundhog that day on my way to work. But eventually, it turned to bigger things that effected more than myself. I saw the subway bombing in Philadelphia that happened in 2016. But, I still see the fate of each individual or I don’t really see them, but I know the fate of everyone.

The second I first see anyone, I know when they will die, who they will love, and what they will do with their lives. I have grown used to knowing the fate of everyone on Earth, but it has become a burden that has prevented me from getting truly close to anyone. Some women that I have met I saw falling in love

with me, but I decided not to take it any further with them and their fate changed. That’s one thing I forgot to mention, the fate of some individuals can change but the big things will never change.

Somehow somebody learned about my gift and decided that I am too dangerous to live. The only thing that I can think of is that there is somebody else like me out there who saw my ability. They will send people out to my apartment tonight to kill me and they will succeed. At 6:54 PM I will die. But, I don’t want my death to be in vain. I want people to know the contents of this letter and to possibly change their fate. The person who will have me killed is Edgar J. Guntherson, yes the same Edgar J. Guntherson that owns the Fortune 500 company that builds the communications technology for the United States government.

It’s weird that he wants me dead because I wasn’t planning on exposing the secrets of others that I saw in the shower. But, he forced my hand and I can’t die without telling my story. Now, you can choose to believe me or not but I have sent this to you and several other news outlets. Included in the email is an attachment that outlines the big events that are to come in the next eleven years, including the end of mankind which will end in eleven years, three months, and seven days. I’m going to take one last shower to see if there’s anything else I need to tell you. If not, please tell my story or my power will have gone to waste.

I have never met you nor do I have any reason to trust you to publish my story and the list of events. But, I have no choice and am doing this out of necessity. Now, I know that there are some people out there that will dismiss my story as the ramblings of a madman but those who do believe me, I want to say thank you for doing the right thing. My name is Brad Deckard and these are my final thoughts.

## State Farm Presents: Trivia Night at The Hut

By TORI ROZELL  
*Staff Writer*

On October 11 State Farm sponsored Trivia Night here at Mansfield. It began at nine o’clock at night till eleven at night. They did not let anyone who attended go empty handed. Some of the minor prizes were hats, nail kits, lip balm, shoe lights and a water bottle carrier. The big prizes included party packs for Papa V’s pizza. The top three teams all received gift cards for Papa V’s but of course first place received the biggest gift cards. The first place

team’s name was Raise to the 5th Power. The second place team’s name was Team Purple and the third place team’s name was Heisenberg. There were nine teams totaled and I also took a part of trivia night. My team got fifth place and our name was Little Monsters. Trivia Night is a great way to connect with your peers and friends. The Hut has a relaxed atmosphere and is a good place to hang out on campus.



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## Mounties Host Franklin Pierce for Homecoming

MANSFIELD – It would be hard to find a better atmosphere for collegiate football this Saturday than the colorful background of Karl Van Norman Field when the Mansfield University Mountaineers host Franklin Pierce in a CSFL matchup.

Kickoff is set for 2 p.m. with live audio broadcast and streaming provided by Kurt Lowe of ESPN Radio Williamsport. A link to the audio stream as well as live-stats is available at GoMounties.com.

The contest is the highlight of both Mansfield's Homecoming 2016 and the 125th Football Anniversary celebrations. Mansfield played its first football game on May 23, 1891 beating Wellsboro 22-0 at Smythe Park.

Today's game marks the fifth time the two programs have met on the gridiron with Franklin Pierce holding a 3-1 advantage after posting a 14-3 win at Franklin Pierce last season.

Last year, then freshman quarterback Adam Hutchison, completed 13-of-29 passes for 100 yards but was sacked four times in his first collegiate start. He also ran for 28 yards on nine carries. Tight end, Jakob Woods pulled down four passes for 43 yards. John Capwell led the defense with a game-high of 12 tackles while Kyle Post and Evan Ruggles each had eight stops.

Mansfield had three tough games to start the season dropping decisions to current CSFL



Photo Courtesy of GoMounties

front-runner Penn, Cornell and at defending CSFL Champion Army. The Mountaineers are ranked fourth in the league in total offense averaging 285.0 yards per game including 196.0 yards through the air.

The Mountaineers, which faced three of the top four offensives in the league over the first three games of the year, rank eighth in the CSFL in total defense (377.3 ypg), scoring defense (39.7 ppg) and turnovers (-10).

Quarterback Adam Hutchison ranks third in the league in passing yards per game (164.0) and total offense (162.7 yards). The sophomore has completed 46-of-93 passes on the year for 538 yards and two touchdowns, but has been intercepted nine times. Senior Kurt Logan continues to lead the CSFL in receptions with 19 on the season for 230 yards and all-purpose yards (155.0 ypg). Freshman D.J. McLean ranks 6th in the league with 12 catches for 167 yards and

two touchdowns. Freshman Devyn Nelsen is third in the league in rushing averaging 57.0 yards per game and five yards per carry.

John Capwell tops the CSFL in tackles per game averaging 11.0 stops per outing. Fellow seniors Mike Bucek and Kyle Post also rank among the league leaders with 20 stops each. Fellow senior Dylan Flexer has 15 stops.

Franklin Pierce is 1-2 on the season having beaten Post 24-6 in the season-opener before dropping a 54-13 decision to Navy and 33-12 setback to Pennsylvania. The Mansfield trip marks their first away game of the season.

Under the direction of head coach Peter Ewald, the Ravens have a senior-laden team that ranks third in the league in total defense allowing just 264.3 yards per game.

Franklin Pierce has a solid passing game behind junior quarterback Jose Melo who has completed 30-of-86 passes for 431 yards with three touchdowns. He has been intercepted five times. Freshman Alex Revere has been his main target catching 13 balls for 232 yards and two scores. Sophomore Taylor Zech leads the running game with 163-yards and four touchdowns. Sophomore Andrew Pelkey ranks third in the CSFL in sacks with 3.5 while junior Ryan Becerra and Josh Castro each have 2.5 sacks over the first three games.

## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
21 Sprint Football: Mountaineers vs. Navy 7:00 p.m.	22 Men's and Women's Cross Country: Mountaineers vs PSAC Championships All Day	23	24	25 Women's Soccer: Mountaineers vs. Millersville University 5:00 p.m.	26 Field Hockey: Mountaineers vs. Indiana University of Pennsylvania 4:00 p.m.	27
28 Varstiy High School Football - Wellsboro vs. North Penn-Mansfield 7:30 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	29 Field Hockey: Mountaineers vs. Millersville University 12:00 p.m.  Sprint Football: Mountaineers vs. Post University 3:30 p.m.	30	31	1 Field Hockey: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Quarterfinals (#3/#6, #4/#5)  Women's Soccer: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Quarterfinals All Day	2	3

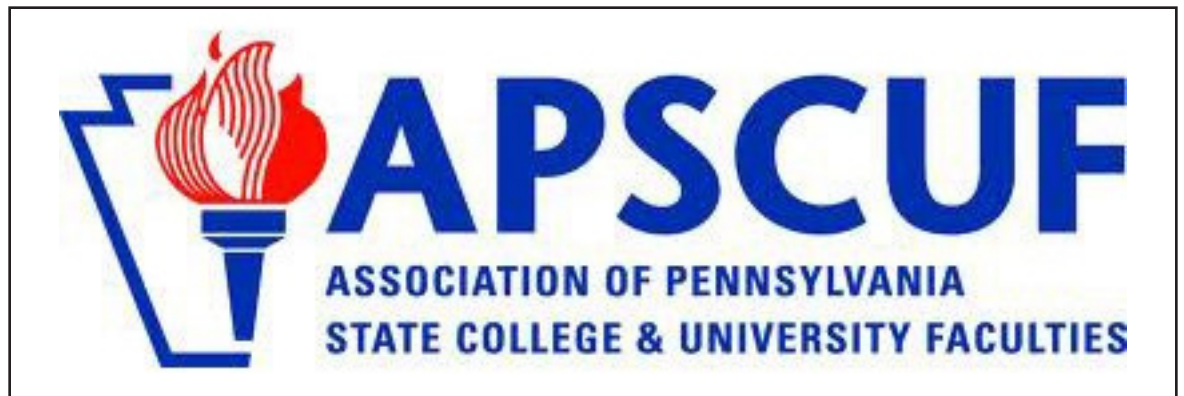


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## APSCUF reviews contract renewal

By THE FLASHLIGHT STAFF



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The faculty strike ended on October 21. Prior to the strike, there were many rumors going around about what was going on and why it was happening. After the strike ended, everyone involved was pleased, but people were left wondering why it had ended. PASSHE released a statement about what happened, but the statement doesn't give much information about the new contract. PASSHE is still not talking about the strike in detail because the ratification vote has not happened yet.

There was some worry that the APSCUF coaches would be striking, but as of October 27, the coaches reached a tentative agreement with PASSHE. In the APSCUF press release about the coaches' agreement, APSCUF Coach Executive Leader John Gump said, "It provides reasonable salary increases for our members while keeping the costs of our healthcare plan affordable. Now, we can get back to doing what we love — coaching our teams and working with our student-athletes." APSCUF released a statement regarding the faculty strike similar to PASSHE's in that it did not offer too much information regarding the new contract. Professor Timothy Madigan offered some insight about the status of the new contract offer — "The chancellor's negotiation team dropped most their 249 cuts or changes. Members of the faculty union will need to vote to accept or reject the proposal contract as soon as its wording is finalized." The Flashlight staff has not received any more firsthand information regarding the strike, so we have included below the press releases from PASSHE and APSCUF.

The PASSHE news release is courtesy of the PASSHE website. "Harrisburg — Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education and the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties (APSCUF) have reached tentative agreement on a new contract, ending a three-day strike by faculty that began Wednesday.

Once final language is agreed to, the new contract, which would run

through June 30, 2018, will go to the full APSCUF membership for a ratification vote. If ratified, the tentative agreement then would be brought to the State System's Board of Governors for final approval.

"We are pleased to get to this point and look forward to the conclusion of the process," said Board Chair Cynthia D. Shapira. "Once again, everyone can focus on what matters most—teaching and learning."

Among other things, the agreement would provide faculty with pay increases and would allow the State System to realize important healthcare cost savings. Details of the agreement will be available upon final approval.

"Today is an opportunity for a fresh start," said State System Chancellor Frank T. Brogan. "Throughout this process, our students have been remarkably patient, and they should be applauded. Now, we look forward to making sure the rest of the year ends strong for them and for our talented faculty."

"We are extremely grateful to Governor Wolf for his outstanding leadership in helping us achieve a successful resolution to these long and difficult negotiations," Mr. Brogan added.

Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education is the largest provider of higher education in the Commonwealth, with more than 105,000 degree-seeking students and thousands more who are enrolled in certificate and other career-development programs. Collectively, the 14 universities that comprise the State System offer more than 2,300 degree and certificate programs in more than 530 academic areas. Nearly 520,000 State System

university alumni live in Pennsylvania.

The State System universities are Bloomsburg, California, Cheyney, Clarion, East Stroudsburg, Edinboro, Indiana, Kutztown, Lock Haven, Mansfield, Millersville, Shippensburg, Slippery Rock and West Chester Universities of Pennsylvania. The universities also operate branch campuses in Oil City (Clarion), Freeport and Punxsutawney (IUP), and Clearfield (Lock Haven), and offer classes and programs at several regional centers, including the Dixon University Center in Harrisburg and in Center City in Philadelphia."

The APSCUF statement is below courtesy of the APSCUF website.

"The strike is over. Faculty negotiators have reached a tentative agreement with Pennsylvania's State System of Higher Education. The three-year deal, ending in June 30, 2018, concludes a strike that began 5 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 19. Faculty members will leave the picket lines immediately. To preserve quality education, the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties accepted concessions to salary and benefits in exchange for eliminating most of the 249 changes the State System proposed in June. Also for the sake of students, APSCUF agreed to a salary package that was significantly lower than that of the other unions. APSCUF will release details about concessions and rescinded items in a future statement.

"Our primary goals were to preserve quality education for our students, protect our adjuncts from exploitation, and make sure the varieties of faculty work are respected," APSCUF President Dr. Kenneth M.

Mash said. "We achieved every single one of those goals, and the faculty were willing to take less than every other bargaining unit in order to preserve those goals. We are relieved to have an agreement that preserves quality public higher education in Pennsylvania and allows our members to get back into the classroom where they belong.

"We are thankful to Gov. Tom Wolf for his commitment to reaching an agreement. We may never have received a deal if it were not for his commitment to public higher education, our universities, and our students." APSCUF Vice President Jamie Martin thanked others who were pivotal in the process. "We are especially grateful to Majority Leader Dave Reed, Rep. Mike Hanna, Sen. Judy Schwank, Sen. Jay Costa, Sen. Vince Hughes, the leadership of all four caucuses, and other members of the legislature," Martin said.

Mash continued: "We also were overwhelmed and grateful for the support of our brothers and sisters at other unions. Most of all, with thank our students. If any high school student is looking for a place to go to school, they should look at how much all our students supported their faculty. We have phenomenal students, and we are proud to be able to return to the classroom to supply the quality of public higher education they deserve." This was the first strike in APSCUF's history. The faculty contract expired June 30, 2015, and negotiations have been ongoing since late 2014."



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# Info-To-Go

## Campus Bulletin Board

A free home-cooked meal and a community Bible study will be offered at 5:30 p.m. at the Mansfield United Methodist Church on November 8 and November 29

Poetry reading by Dr. Leslie Heywood and Joe Weil on November 17 at 104 Allen Hall. The event will last from from 4-5 p.m.

Sheroes: Women, Sport, and Leadership in a Global Age will be presented by Dr. Leslie Heywood on November 17 at 6:30 p.m. in The Hut.

Dr. Keith Thorne ogf LGO Observatory in Lousiana will present: Whebn Black Holes Collide. Friday November 11, 10:30-11:30

Octobofest is on Sunday November 6, at 4 p.m. in Steadman

Extra Life is a 12 Hour Gaming Marathon starting November 5 at 10 a.m. in all the multipurpose rooms at the residence halls. Each residence hall will have a different theme.

Senior Transitions Conference on November 12 at the Best Western Country Cupboard Inn in Lewisburg, PA. The deadline for the event is OOctober 21 and the registration fee is \$10.

# POLICE BEAT

- **Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -**

**11/2/16** - Former student Richard Robinson was seen on campus in violation of a No-Trespass snaction. After talking to staff, a Non-Traffic Citation was filed at District Court 04-3-03.

**10/29/16** - University Police Officer on routine patrol observed a large bag of household waste that had been unlawfully disposed upon on property of Mansfield University. Subsequent investigation led to summary non-traffic citations being filed against Marcus Philpot and Yaamir Tillery.

**10/22/16** - Police were dispatched to the second floor of Hickory for a report of a person in the hallway with a handgun. Police arrived on scene and discovered Brett Stuart and Michael Johnson. Both students involved were referred to Campus Judicial.

**10/21/16** - University Police received information regarding an ongoing series of thefts from the dining services contractor at the Manser Dining Hall. A full accounting of the value of all the items taken is not yet avail ble. The suspect is known to police and an investigation is ongoing.

**10/21/16** - A staff member reported that person(s) unknown had unlawfully removed an Apple brand computer mouse from a computer workstation on the North wing of the 2nd floor of the building. The theft occurred sometime between 0830 and 1330 hours on Wednesday, October 5, 2016. The item has an approximate value of \$79.00.

# World News

## Headlines from across the planet

*Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com*



**11/2/16 - Boko Haram survivors sexually abused by government of officials at 'safe' camps**

- Women and girls who survived Boko Haram violence were raped by government officials at camps in northern Nigeria where they sought safety, according to a new rights group report
- Human Rights Watch documented the accounts of 43 women and girls
- HRW says the survivors were sexually abused or coerced into sex

**11/2/16 - ISIS human shields tell of escape from forced march**

- ISIS militants, under fire from Iraqi-led forces, are taking human shields as protection
- Asa'ad and his family were forced out of their homes and made to walk towards Mosul
- They managed to escape and returned to their village, which is now eerily empty

**11/2/16 - Amnesty International's Moscow office sealed by authorities**

- Amnesty International said its locks and alarm system had been removed
- Notice on sealed front door warned people not to enter

**11/2/16 - Putin declares 10-hour 'humanitarian pause' for Aleppo**

- Russian President Vladimir Putin has unilaterally declared a 10-hour "humanitarian pause" for Aleppo on Friday, a senior Russian official said Wednesday
- Putin calls for "humanitarian pause" as violence worsens in Aleppo
- Syrian rebels have stepped up attacks to try to break the regime's siege of rebel-held eastern Aleppo

**11/2/16 - South Africa corruption report released amid anti-Zuma protests**

- A damning report into corruption allegations against South African President Jacob Zuma was published Wednesday as demonstrators calling for him to quit marched in the streets of the capital
- Report: President Jacob Zuma should appoint a commission of inquiry within 30 days
- Police use stun grenades as they seek to disperse anti-Zuma protesters in Pretoria

**11/2/16 - Giant kites celebrate the dead in Guatemala**

- Huge, colorful kites are soaring over the skies of Guatemala as hundreds of people gather in cemeteries to honor their dead
- The largest can be more than 40 feet in diameter

**11/1/16 - China's new J-20 stealth fighter screams on to scene**

- Two of China's brand new, top-of-the-line stealth fighter jets streaked and screamed across an air exhibition on Tuesday as Beijing showed its newest military hardware to the public for the first time
- Public gets first look at China's newest fighter jets
- J-20 seen as China's answer to US F-22s and F-35s



# Mountie Madness kicks off the second half of the semester

**By Caitlin Strasser  
Staff Writer**

Mountie Madness was held on Thursday, October 27 in Decker Gymnasium. Pizza, chicken wings, desserts, and refreshments were available to all who first came to the event; these were provided by the Student-Athlete Advisory Committee. Pom poms were also handed out to those in attendance by PSECU.

The event officially began with players from both the men's and women's teams being introduced with the positions and a fun fact of each player was shared. The cheerleaders performed both a dance and a cheer throughout the night. Andreas Katopodis was crowned the winner of the 3-point contest with 13 baskets. Three fans in attendance walked away with \$50 after making half-court shots. Quadir Rice was crowned the winner of the slam dunk contest.

An eight-minute game for men's team took place and after a pretty even match up, the red team won 38 to 27. Following that, an eight-minute game for the women's team was played. This was an even closer match up, but the black team pulled out ahead. BSU performed a high energy step dance that got the crowd excited. Finally, a fan in attendance was awarded some cash for having the most school spirit. This fan was also one who made a half-court shot.

This event was a great way to get fans excited for the basketball season and both teams seem to have promising seasons ahead of them! Their first home games for both teams are on November 19 versus Seton Hill. The women's team plays at 1:00 and the men's team plays at 3:00. Be sure to come out and support both teams!

Photo Courtesy of Facebook



## MU Professor to Have Article Published

Tiffany Welch, assistant professor and director of Field Education in Social Work at Mansfield University, has had an article approved for publication in Research & Teaching in Developmental Education, a peer-reviewed journal published by the New York College Learning Skills Association.

The article, "Raising Awareness of Campus Counseling Services: A Qualitative Approach," details a study conducted to examine ways to improve awareness of campus

counseling services. The Appreciative Action Research Inquiry (AARI) identified strengths and improvements from the perception of key stakeholders. It focused on findings and recommendations made on ways to increase awareness of college counseling center services.

Welch earned her bachelor's degree at Mansfield, her master's at Marywood University and her doctorate of social work at Capella University.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR						
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4  Last Day to Withdraw from a Course- All Day  Melissa Netzbant, Senior Voice Recital 6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.  Friday Night Off Beat Cinema at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	5  Admissions Office: Transfer Student Open House 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  Admissions Saturday Preview 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.  Dale Scrivener Jr., Senior Voice Recital 5:35 p.m. - 7:05 p.m.	6  Adam Dodge, Senior Percussion Recital 12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m.  OctOBOfest 4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	7  Admissions Nutrition Spend-A-Day 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	8  Chow with the Chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Bible Study 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesday Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	9  Wednesday Open Mic Night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:55 p.m.	10  Thursday Night Live @ The Hut - Live: Music - Comedy - Performing Arts & Entertainment Programming 9:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.
11  Admissions Visit Day 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Admissions: Biology Spend-A-Day 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  LIGO, the Universe, and Everything: When Black Holes Collide 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	12  Senior Transitions Conference 2016 8:30 a.m. - 8:00 p.m.	13	14  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	15  Admissions: Education and Special Education Spend-A-Day 8:45 a.m. - 2:30 p.m.  Admissions: Art Spend-A-Day 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Kenny Unger, Senior Guitar Recital 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	16  Council of Trustees Meeting 2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.  Wednesday Open Mic Night at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:55 p.m.	17  Poetry Reading: Leslie Heywood & Joe Weil 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  Sheroes: Women, Sport, and Leadership in a Global Age 6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.



# A MUSICAL LEGACY.

## A Musical Weekend at Mansfield



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Cameron King was honored on Saturday night with the first ever jazz scholarship. The award is a tribute to Dr. H. Michael Galloway and his commitment to developing the Mansfield Jazz program.



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The Mansfieldians is a vocal Jazz Ensemble that performs under the direction of Dr. Monklin. The ensemble performed in their final semester performance this past Saturday with the Jazzband in a combined concert.



### Check out these upcoming events...

Wind Ensemble & Orchestra Concert 11/20/2016 - 2:30 PM & Annual Vocal Holiday Concert: Grant Us Peace 12/3/2016 and 12/4/2016 - 2:30 PM

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Above: The Jazz Band performed on Saturday under the direction of Dr. Jacobson. Right: Concert Choir which performed Sunday afternoon in the chorla collage with the festival choir pictured below.



The Spirit and the Pride bids farewell to seniors with their final performance this past Saturday at Van Norman Field. The Spirit and the Pride bids farewell to twelve members.

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Music has a long legacy at Mansfield. The Oboe ensemble just celebrated 20 years of Octoboe fest and the Mansfield Wind Ensemble is celebrating 61 years, the second oldest in the country. With so many amazing ensembles, there is a lot to listen to in Butler Music Center and all around the globe as Mansfield Ensembles have preformed around the world. The Flashlight is excited to report on upcoming competitions and ensemble tours.

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# COPLAC

## Mansfield Students Represent PA at Regional Conference.

By **ANDREW PUTT**  
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ON FRIDAY OCTOBER 21, Seven Mansfield University students disembarked on a journey to the Massachusetts College of Liberal Arts with research, papers, posters and art work in hand. Mansfield students represented Psychology, English, Geosciences, Art and Biology at the Northeast Regional Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity Conference. COPLAC (Council of Public Liberal Arts Colleges) is continually growing,

with 30 member institutions around the United States and Canada it strives to highlight the benefits of a liberal arts education. A public university from each state is selected to become a member of COPLAC. Mansfield accepted the honor of membership in 2014, and has sent undergraduate presenters to COPLAC conferences since 2014 to showcase the amazing work of MU students. COPLAC hosts multiple conferences around the country, including two upcoming conferences scheduled to be held at Mansfield University in 2017.

  
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Mansfield University's presenting students; (L-R) Miranda Kline, Erin Carrigan, Hannah Grover, Amanda Lee, Tyler Copp and Andrew Putt.

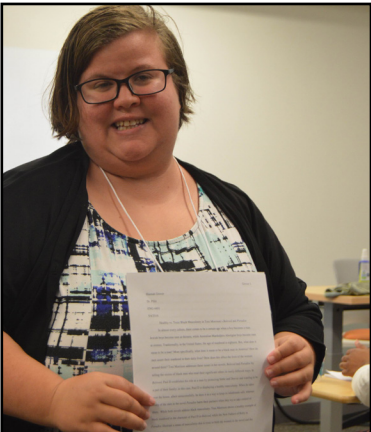


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Hannah Grover following the presentation of her research paper.



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On Behalf of the Students who had the opportunity to experience this amazing weekend, thank you MCLA for your hospitality and the organization of an incredible weekend. We were sad to go return back to Mansfield, although the snowy ride home through the mountainous Northeast was a welcome treat.



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Kristine Ferg standing by the prints she presented at COPLAC.

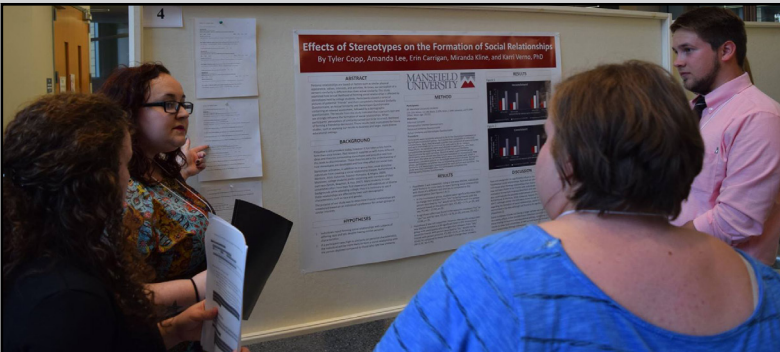
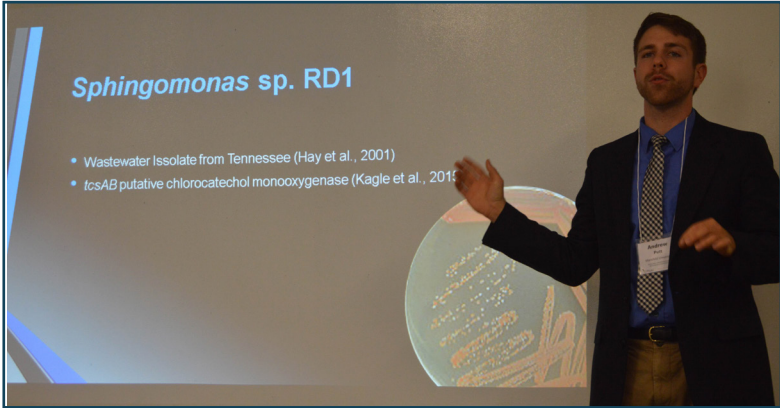


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Above: Miranda Kline, Amanda Lee, Erin Carrigan and Tyler Copp present their findings on the effects of stereotypes in social relationships.

Below: Andrew Putt presents on monitoring of antibiotics using gene expression and the creation of a new bacterial plasmid construct.  
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**MANSFIELD TO HOLD NEXT ANNUAL COPLAC MEETING.**  
June 22-24, 2017 students from COPLAC schools all over the country will be bringing their research to present on our campus as Mansfield opens its doors to host a COPLAC conference for the first time. Provost Dr. Siconolfi joined the Mansfield students and while at the conference petitioned for Mansfield to host the next Northeast Regional Research, Scholarly and Creative Activity Conference which is set for the fall of 2017.



For more information regarding the upcoming Mansfield Conferences, the presentations and COPLAC, visit the COPLAC webpage at [WWW.COPLAC.ORG](http://WWW.COPLAC.ORG)





## Editorial: Why students should be involved outside and how it can help their careers

By Kline Kaufer  
Editor-in-Chief

As a senior, one might develop the term known as, "senioritis." I remember this term well from high school, four years ago. My classes consisted of two study halls, basic home maintenance and a select few of the remaining core classes. Since my time began at Mansfield University in Fall 2013, I have progressively become more involved with extracurricular activities.

Students who excel in their classes of course have a better chance of landing a job than a student who does poorly. However, people who are involved with organizations outside of the classroom have an even greater chance at a preferred job.

From a freshman perspective, it is a time to get down your bearings and really learn how to manage time in an effective way. I admire freshman who get involved right away because I certainly was not one of those folks. By the end of freshman year, I imagine most people have figured out how to study properly and to not procrastinate (just kidding). The only activity I was involved with freshman year was The Spirit and Pride of Pennsylvania, which I loved, by the way. During the first few

months of my sophomore year MU60 was created, and I jumped on the opportunity to do videography for this new mass communication organization.

Since I am an electronic media major, it is essential to learn technological skills outside of the classroom. If someone wants a job doing videography or something with video whether that entails editing, producing, directing or even writing, it is important to know the functions of the camera.

In September, I was able to land a job as a videographer/editor at Wellsboro Homepage, not only due to involvement but also networking, which is vital in the field of mass communication. The Flashlight, MUTV, WNTE and PRSSA are the four mass communication organizations that are currently active on campus.

I am writing this to help other students achieve their goals. College is some of the most stressful times in someone's academic career, but if students get involved, I promise they will not be sorry when they look back on their accomplishments in their undergraduate years.

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## Kayla Hackett hosts Perfectly Imperfect at Mansfield University

By TORI ROZELL  
Staff Writer

Kayla Hackett held a project called "Perfectly Imperfect" on October 19th from 3 to 5 p.m.. She attended the PASSHE Women's Conference in the Summer of 2015. Kayla was told to do a project and it had to be "feministic." She chose to do this project to promote positive body images.

Self-esteem and other parts of negative body images don't only occur to women they also happen to men. Therefore, she opened

this to males as well. She has been planning this project since June of this year. Her project involved three photographs of each individual. They each received two white boards which one contained a negative comment or something negative about themselves and the second white board contained a positive comment or something positive about themselves.

Tracy Parker from *High Image Photography* took each individual's photo three times one with the negative sign, then with

the positive and the individual put down the board and posed anyway they would have liked. I talked to a female named Diamonds and she said that it was empowering. That was an overall answer when asked how does this project make you feel. Everyone said they felt empowered and that this was an amazing project. Kayla is hoping that her project will boost students' self-esteem and it has made a wide impact all around because she was asked to even present this project in her old high school. She and other faculty

and volunteers participated in her project. Her biggest worry, however was that she wouldn't have a lot of people show especially males but overall 35 people showed and even a few males.

Kayla said that it was a great turnout and she was surprised with the number of people who participated in her event. She also mentioned it was easier for the individuals to come up with something negative but it was hard for them to come up with something positive.



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# Thomas Putnam speaks on campus about Trump

By CJ Moran  
Staff Writer

The Trump Card, a comedic monologue, was performed at the Hut on Thursday, October 27 and on Sunday, October 30 at 7:30 p.m. Thomas Putnam, a member of Mansfield/Wellsboro community, read the monologue, which was written by Mike Daisey.

The Trump Card is about Donald Trump’s background, though the author weaves in anecdotes from his own life to keep the monologue relatable. For example, the author connects his grandfather to Trump’s father, as they were both racist. Daisey also peppers the monologue with foul language, though he does not use it for shock value. Instead, his language brings another level to the piece, because it makes the piece

more natural. The monologue itself was not pro-Trump - the title refers to a piece from Trump’s board game, which the author criticized.

For Sunday’s performance, there were about thirty community members in attendance. The audience enjoyed the monologue, and Putnam delivered the speech well. In fact, the audience gave Putnam a standing ovation. After the performance, Putnam took questions. However, the question session turned into a time where the community members spoke their minds about Trump, rather than asking questions. The general consensus from the community was as negative as the monologue.

# Chris Vaughn Awarded the MU Presidential Coin for Excellence

Chris Vaughn, the long-time director of Financial Planning at Mansfield University and the “Voice of the Mountaineers” in athletics, was awarded the Mansfield University Presidential Coin for Excellence by President Fran Hendricks on October 27.

The presentation took place at media day for the MU basketball teams. “For 29 years, Chris touched the lives of countless students and their families in his roles in financial aid and planning,” Hendricks said. “Now in his 35<sup>th</sup> year as the ‘voice’ of MU athletics, he has also touched the lives of our student-athletes, alumni and fans. For his selfless efforts on both fronts, and all the good will he has spread in Mountie nation, Chris is very deserving of

this honor.” Starting as the announcer for Mansfield men’s basketball in 1981, Vaughn added football and women’s basketball to his volunteer duties shortly thereafter. Since retiring in 2011, he has taken on announcing duties for baseball, softball, field hockey and women’s soccer whenever possible.

The coin was developed by Hendricks and designed by MU Senior Graphics Designer Andy Worthington. It is awarded selectively to persons who have contributed greatly to the university, using the Mansfield Creed; Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service as a guideline. The coin bears several symbols representing historical highlights and other aspects of the university that make it distinctive.

# Language minors are reinstated at MU

by KLine Kaufer  
Editor-in-Chief

The reinstatement of a French, German, and Spanish minor has been created at MU. “We’re very, happy and I hope students will be too” said Monique Oyallon, director of Study Abroad, ISEP Coordinator. Students will be able to take 18 credits for a minor. Six credits at the intro level, that could also count towards general education credits, but subsequently, will not count toward the minor itself. Cultural classes about the German, French and Spanish languages would count

for 12 credits. These classes would be taught in English courses nine credits of advanced language during summer semester or while studying abroad. This minor can broaden student’s horizons. Currently there will be two If students choose to minor in this, it will give them certification and a more of a measurable diploma. Students who have interests in international business and teachers who aspire to teach English as a second language will now be able to do these job.

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# MU Nursing Students Participate in Disaster Simulation

Mansfield University nursing students gained valuable experience and perspective by participating in Community Disaster Simulation Day at Towanda Memorial Hospital recently.

Twenty eight nursing students, supervised by MU faculty, along with hospital staff and first responders, took part in a mass casualty simulation at the hospital. While some students participated in medical roles, others were called on to play the role of victims and family members of victims.

“We’re doing this as part of our Community Health Nursing course,” Susan Lanzara, assistant professor and Simulation Lab coordinator, said. “Students learn in that course about disaster preparedness and we felt that this simulation is an excellent way for them to get an idea of what that’s like.”

“I think this gave us a real-life glimpse into what a situation like this is like,” Bridget Kilburn, a senior from State College, PA,

said. “Playing a patient, I was able to step back and watch and be able to see what it would be like to be someone who needs help, but they have to wait.”

“We wanted our students to understand the role of the nurse in a disaster, to collaborate with other disciplines and to learn about triage,” Lanzara said. “Triage in a disaster is very different than triage in an emergency room situation.”

“I thought it was an excellent experience,” Amber Skworzow, a senior from Effort, PA, said. “You don’t ever know when an explosion or something like that might happen, but you always have to be prepared for it.”

Lanzara and her fellow faculty members plan to make participation in drills and simulations like this one a regular part of the curriculum for their students in the future.



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## Defense Blocks Post 28-0 on Senior Day

Mansfield's defense forced five turnovers including four interceptions to lead the Mountaineers to a 28-0 win over Post University on Senior Day Saturday afternoon at Karl Van Norman Field.

The win was the first for head coach Rick Novak.

"It was a great win for our seniors," Novak. "I'm so proud of those 11 young men who have been the heart and soul of the program for the past four years and proud of our team for giving them a win on Senior Day. They were determined not to be denied."

The Mountaineer defense was dominating all day holding Post to minus-eight yards on three plays in the opening series of the game.

Following a 21-yard punt, Mansfield got the ball on the Post 38-yard line running the ball seven times in a nine play drive that resulted in a seven-yard touchdown run by quarterback Adam Hutchison. Paul Harrison's extra-point attempt was good give Mansfield a 7-0 lead after just six minutes to play.

Mansfield defense rose to the challenge again on Post next series, forcing the Eagles to put after three plays.



Photo Courtesy of GoMounties

DJ McLean, # 19 is an education major

The Mountaineers got the ball on their own 46-yard line with Trenton Smith running for 12-yards on the first play of the series before freshman D.J. McLean Jr. when up over two defenders in pull in a 37-yard pass from Hutchison on Post 1-yard line. Hunter Brown scored his first touchdown of the season on the next play making the score 14-0 after Harrison's kick.

Post crossed the 50-yard line for the first

time all game in the second quarter but the MU defense responded with interceptions from Kyle Post and Isaac Havens.

Mansfield took the 14-0 lead into halftime before increasing their advantage to 21-0 with a nine-play, 57-yard drive capped off with a two-yard touchdown run by Trenton Smith.

Mansfield closed out the scoring two

series later when freshman Kardale Taylor stepped in front of a pass and returned it 49-yards for a touchdown and 28-0 lead.

The defense held Post to 135 yards in total offense including just 21 yards on the ground.

Senior Doug Bird had the best game of his career racking up a team-best nine tackles, all of the solo. Fellow seniors John Capwell and Mike Bucek each had seven stops with Havens recording six tackles and an interception. Senior Brandon Pace also had an interception.

Hutchinson led the offense completing 9-of-19 passes for 128 yards and no interceptions. Freshman D.J. McLean jr., had three catches for 73 yards with Danny Diaz-Walton catching two balls for 17 yards. Senior Kurt Logan also had two catches.

LeRon Strothers led the ran for a game-high 57-yards on 17 carries with Smith picked up 43-yards on 12 carries.

Chris Leggio led Post with a game-high 12 tackles.

Mansfield, which has picked off eight passes over the last two games, wins its first game of the season and will travel to Chestnut Hill next Saturday in the season finale.

## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
4 Fiedl Hockey: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Semifinals (Top Seed Hosts) All Day  Women's Soccer: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Semifinals All Day	5 Men and Women's Cross Country: Mountaineers vs. NCAA Atlantic Region Championships All Day  Sprint Football: Mountaineers vs. Chestnut Hill College 12:00 p.m.	6 Field Hockey: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Championships (Top Seed Hosts) All Day  Women's Soccer: Mountaineers vs. PSAC Championships All Day	7	8	9	10
11 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Lycoming College All Day  Men's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. St. Augustine's University 6:00 p.m.	12 Men's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Virginia State University 8:00 p.m.	13	14	15 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Penn State Brandywine 5:30 p.m.  Men's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Penn State Brandywine 7:30 p.m.	16	17



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Photo courtesy of the John Laidacker Facebook page.

Laidacker was commissioned by the 2015-2016 SGA to paint this mural. Due to his studio burning down he was unable to commence work until October of this year.

## **Mural maker marvels Mansfield**

**By TORI ROZELL**  
*Staff Writer*

The mural outside Manser Dining Hall was painted by artist Jon Laidacker. Laidacker graduated from Mansfield University in 2003 with a B.S. in Studio Arts.

After graduation, Laidacker followed his girlfriend to Pittsburg, where he got involved in an organization called The Sproutfund, a public arts group that ran 'season' mural groups in the summer. He worked two summers with them then decided he wanted to be a muralist.

At the age of 23, Laidacker packed his belongings and moved to Philadelphia where he could work with the Mural Arts Program. He had no work lined up and he knew no one in the city. Out of luck, he was accepted to the M.F.A. program at the Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts.

Over the course of two years, things began looking up for him as he earned his master's degree in painting.

Laidacker has been an independent contractor for the

Mural Arts Program for 11 years which allows him to work on private commissions throughout the year. In the Mural Arts Program, he was the art leader on two of the largest projects ever produced in Philadelphia: "How Philly Moves" and "Our City, Our Team."

"How Philly Moves" is an 85,000 square-foot mural on the parking garage at the Philadelphia International Airport. The mural is the second largest mural in the world. "Our City, Our Team" was 7,000 square feet and it's on Darien Street, across from Lincoln Financial Field. It was the second largest mural in the city.

Over the last few years, Laidacker has been teaching mural painting at Delaware County Community College. He was commissioned to paint the mural at Mansfield University roughly six years ago, but he turned it down because Mansfield was involved in fracking at that time and he wanted no part of it. The offer came up again when Michelle Schlegel reached out to him via Facebook. Laidacker began rolling out the

cloths for the mural in late August and early September of last year.

Laidacker said the mural is painted on sheets of cloth, then glued to the concrete wall. He bought and primed all the cloth and mixed all the paint needed for the Mansfield Mural when the unthinkable happened. There was a fire in the studio next to his and he lost everything. Months of hard work and dedication were destroyed. Laidacker knew he had to start all over so he did.

Because of the fire, all the artists we forced to find new studios. Laidacker was able to sublet space from family and friends just to get back to work on not, only the Mansfield mural, but other projects as well.

Laidacker said he was able to do just enough work by February to host a community paint workshop at Allen Hall that was open to the public. He has an album from his workshop as well as the full project of the Mansfield mural on Facebook.

Laidacker was in financial trouble because of the limited

amount of work he was able to do until he got a new studio. He was able to continue the Mansfield University project in March.

Laidacker's contract paid 50 percent upon signing and the rest upon completion. Laidacker said he needed an extra 25 percent up front to get the materials he needed to begin the project, but SGA denied his request because it wasn't what they agreed to. "I can assure you that payment has been made in compliance with the contractual agreement," Kiana Medley, President of Student Government Association, said. Laidacker would have had the project completed at the beginning of the summer if he had gotten the extra advance from SGA. "He has been paid according to the contract signed between him and CCSI," Lynn Hinman, Fiscal Technician for College Community Services Inc., said.

Laidacker completed other, smaller projects so he could buy the supplies and materials necessary to complete the Mansfield Mural.

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# Info-To-Go

## Campus Bulletin Board

“Women of Distinction” Career Expo will be held in the Alumni Third Floor Lobby on Wednesday November 30 from 1 p.m. - 3 p.m.

Auditions for the MU production of the new Mel Brooks musical Young Frankenstein will be held in Straughn Auditorium on Sunday December 4 at 6:30 p.m. and Monday December 5 at 6:30 p.m. Call backs will be on Wednesday December 7

# POLICE BEAT

- Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -

11/11/16 - Police were called to Oak for an alcohol offense. Upon arrival it was discovered Natalia Coles was in possession of alcohol. A judicial referral was done on Natalia Coles

11/9/16 - University Police were dispatched to a minor motor vehicle accident in the “B” parking lot where a vehicle collided with a parked car causing minor damage. No injuries resulted from the collision and both vehicles were able to be driven from the scene.

11/7/16 - A female victim reported that person(s) unknown had unlawfully removed \$300.00 in U.S. currency from her wallet. The wallet was in an unsecured location at the time of the alleged incident. An investigation continues.

11/1/16 - A university police officer on patrol observed a number of broken eggs that the been thrown at vehicles parked in the A lot in the area of Hickory Manor. About that same time a passing motorist advised that officer that several individuals had thrown unknown objects at vehicles traveling along Morris Drive. At least 3 vehicles had been vandalized.

11/1/16 - Police were dispatched to the Second floor of Sycamore north wing for an odor of marijuana. Andrew Schwenk was referred to Campus Judicial for the violation.

# World News

## Headlines from across the planet

*Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com*



11/15/16 - Syria: Heavy airstrikes resume on east Aleppo amid major regime offensive

- Warplanes carried out heavy airstrikes on neighborhoods in rebel-held east Aleppo for the first time in weeks Tuesday, as Syrian government forces launched a renewed assault to take the city
- Recently arrived Russian aircraft carrier begins operations targeting Idlib, Homs
- A major assault on eastern Aleppo has begun after a weeks-long lull, Syrian military says

11/15/16 - Hong Kong lawmakers who insulted China to appeal disqualification

- Two young lawmakers disqualified by Hong Kong’s High Court from the city’s legislature have vowed to appeal the judgment
- Young lawmakers express disappointment in ruling, say they will appeal
- They were disqualified after China’s intervention into the judicial process

11/15/16 - Marine Le Pen: Impossible made possible by Trump win

- The leader of France’s far-right National Front party, Marine Le Pen, says the US election of Donald Trump “shows that people are taking their future back,” suggesting that French voters could do the same.-

- Notice on sealed front door warned people not to enter
- Marine Le Pen hopes Donald Trump’s victory will boost National Front chances in France
  - An expected front-runner in 2017 elections, Le Pen vows to return France to its glory days

11/15/16 - Mexico works on plan to deal with Trump’s possible deportations

- The Mexican government is working on a plan to deal with possible mass deportations under President-elect Donald Trump, a presidential spokesman says
- Mexico working on plan to accept deportees from US
- US’ southern neighbor has long been in the sights of President-elect Trump

11/15/16 - Thousands stranded in New Zealand after earthquakes

- After being rocked by a deadly 7.8-magnitude earthquake, a wave of powerful aftershocks, thousands are now stranded in a New Zealand town near the quake’s epicenter
- Aftershocks continue to rattle New Zealand
- The town of Kaikoura has been cut off

11/15/16 - Egyptian ex-president Mohamed Morsy’s death sentence overturned

- An Egyptian court on Tuesday overturned the death sentence handed to ousted President Mohamed Morsy
- Court orders new trial over jailbreak
- The Court of Cassation overturned the May 2015 sentence and ordered a new trial
- Death sentences also overturned for Morsy’s co-defendants



# Office of Social Equity hosts post election dialogue

By HANNAH GROVER  
Staff Writer

Mansfield University’s Office of Social Equity hosted an open campus dialogue regarding the recent presidential election and its outcome on Monday, November 14 from 2-4 p.m. Both students and professors were encouraged to attend. There were over fifty people that attended the dialogue, including professors from the English and Psychology departments, as well as professionals from the Counseling Center and other staff workers. Kacy Hagan, Mansfield’s Social Equity Officer moderated a discussion where those in attendance were free to participate as much or as little as they wanted. Unlike other briefing sessions that are usually presented by someone from the administration, this open dialogue was created for students by a student who wanted to help make students on campus feel safe.

Taylor Donahue, a Room Advisor for Sycamore had the idea for this event. “I had just come back from a student affairs conference, and emergency sessions were made in the conference schedule for the various professionals who needed to talk through how they were feeling before they could even think about going back to their campuses to help students process their own feelings. The professionals at that session showed a lot of vulnerability in talking about what they were dealing with, many of them members of the LGBTQIA+ community,

many of them people of color, and a large percentage of them women. These professionals expressed fear and concern for themselves, but more importantly their students. Being able to talk openly about fear and sadness and concerns that I had helped me to be able to come back to campus that day,” Taylor said. “I’m a resident assistant and I place a lot of importance on students and making sure that they feel that they are validated and that they are heard and feel safe at Mansfield. Kacy works as our social equity officer, and I’ve worked with her in other areas of social equity because of our shared student-centered backgrounds. I asked her if we could have a discussion like the one I attended, but for everyone, and when we could have it, and how we could best facilitate it for students. Kacy has been super awesome at pushing it through and making all the arrangements and connections to get a wide span of resources to attend, including counseling services, and working with me to recreate an environment that will best help our students.”

Students were able to voice their concerns about the president-elect and what will happen when he takes office in January. They were also able to share their feelings about what it will be like when they go home for Thanksgiving---several were concerned about having awkward conversations with family members, friends and coworkers. Towards

the end of the dialogue, students were able to share what they hope for the future, and many expressed interest in continuing the dialogue in another session.

Kiana Medley, president of the Student Government Association, also commented about the event. “We shared. We grieved--some of us still grieving. We empathized. We united,” she said. “The dialogue today has reminded me of the work Mansfield University still has to do. It is our responsibility to make sure that we and the people who represent us are doing the work that needs to be done to ensure our safety and success. The conversation can’t stop today, nor can it only begin in lieu of disappointment and divisiveness. It must continue. The work has to be ongoing.

Thanks, Taylor, Kacy, and the many brave souls that shared today, being vulnerable, opening their minds and hearts, and allowing us to get a glimpse of their experience. That takes true strength. I applaud all of you.” She continued, “Students, I am here if anyone needs a shoulder, listening ear, or a hug! It can be about anything. I got you!” If any student is hurting, grieving, or struggling to cope in this difficult time, they are encouraged to go to the Counseling Center in South Hall, visit the Women’s Center in Alumni or talk to a professor.

# Poli-Sci Club hosts election night party

By CJ MORAN  
Staff Writer

On Tuesday, November 15, the political science club hosted an election night live party at the Hut. At all times throughout the party, attendees were able to watch the number of electoral and popular votes each candidate had as numbers emerged. The results were shown on multiple news stations, so as to avoid bias.

A lack of bias was important, because of the over 100 students who came to the Hut, both candidates had enthusiastic support in equal amounts. However, students were not the only attendees - Mansfield University’s president, General Hendricks made an appearance. Professors from the political science department and the English department also attended.

Along with the election coverage, there were raffles of Hillary Clinton and Donald Trump bobble heads, as well as a Bernie Sanders action figure. The political science club also provided pizza, wings, chips, and soda. The usual Tuesday night trivia was not affected, though it was politically themed, and as always, the pool tables and shuffleboard were available.

# CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
18  Chow with the chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Savannah Cole and Brett Helmus Senior Voice Recital 7:30 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.  Friday Night “Off Beat” Cinema at The Hut 9:00 P.M. - 11:30 P.M.	19  Admissions Guthrie Robert Packer Hospital Open House 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.	20  Wind Ensemble & Symphony Orchestra Concert 2:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.  Caroline Fish & Micah Neiss Senior Voice Recital 6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	21  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m.- 11:30 p.m.	22  Chow with the chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesdya Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	23  Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes	24  Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes
25  Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes	26	27	28  Worsship Night at The Hut 7:00 p.m  MU Percussion Ensebmle Concert 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	29  Chow with the chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesdya Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	30  Admissions Bus Visit: Wy- alusing High School Gifted Students Bus Trip 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  “Women of Distinction” Carrer Expo 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	1  Utility of Continuous Instream Monitoring in Pennsylvania 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



# Unity Tree Lights Up Mansfield Again For Another Season

ANDREW PUTT  
*Production Manager*

Decorating on campus started mid October, and overall about thirty Mansfield students volunteered to decorate the campus. They used hundreds of lights and thousands of yards of ribbon, making it a sweet home! Following a four year tradition, the Unity Tree was lit at 18:57 on the Monday night before Manser’s Thanksgiving Dinner. The Unity Tree is the only tree decorated with colored lights, and it is adorned with student ornaments made in Connie’s work station (Upper Manser Hall by the pizza station). The tree symbolizes diversity and installs

pride by highlighting student accomplishments! We all come from different backgrounds, celebrating the multitude of holidays celebrated around this time of year. If you have anything you have celebrate, we encourage you to place it on the tables in the front by the beautifully decorated tree!

When Connie and the General arrived at the University on October 31, 2013, she left her Christmas paradise to celebrate Thanksgiving with students. She decided that it was time to celebrate everything and everyone instead of just the few holidays celebrated commercially this time of year. The candy land

theme allows us to celebrate the love that everyone has for candy! The tree in manser is donated by the Hendricks, as it is the tree they used in Virginia. All of this was done for the students to celebrate the holidays! In total over 600 hours of work were made possible by the contribution of students. Drew Robinson and Chef Ron fed all of the student decorators during the decorating process, regardless of the time of day. Thirty students simultaneously plugged in all the lights in Upper Manser, Lower Manser and South Hall. “My favorite part was getting to help turn the lights on and light up the night”

said Madi Gentzyel. Mansfield will never be dark during winter as long as Connie is here, and this is a tradition that we don’t plan to end anytime soon!

Join the Hendricks Family in their home on the evening

of Thursday December 8 for the Holiday Open House. The event will feature delicious food, a great time to socialize, and amazing decorations.



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## Horoscopes

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### ARIES

March 21 - April 19

Someone is looking for an intriguing influence or inspiration, and given your stature within the group, you could fit the bill perfectly. A surge of confident energy hits you either today or tomorrow, and it helps you realize how much influence you truly have. Important people are paying attention to you right now, and you might not be noticing how many questions they’re suddenly asking. There are plans in the works -- and your name keeps popping up.

### TAURUS

April 20 - May 20

If you’ve been waiting for a day when you can break loose and go a little nutty (in a good way, of course), today is the day! There’s nothing holding you back from poking fun, having a laugh and playing a few pranks. The only thing you need to remember is that certain commitments need to be honored -- or your reputation might suffer. The balance between play and work is easy to manage today, especially since you’ll get to sway the scales in the direction of fun.

### GEMINI

May 21 - June 21

Stay on the straight and narrow today -- just because you see a shortcut doesn’t mean you should take it. Today is all about keeping your head down, working hard and playing by the rules. Even though you’ve seen other folks get ahead by making deals and cutting corners, don’t get the wrong idea. Cheaters never prosper -- the guilt alone will add so much stress to your life that any gains you make will be meaningless. You’ve got the skills and the drive, so why bother with the schemes?

### CANCER

June 22 - July 22

Regardless of the weather today, you may find yourself feeling shrouded in clouds. Your moodiness or blue feelings aren’t anything to be worried about, however. This is a normal phase of darkness that will pass as soon as you get back in touch with the emotional stimulation you’ve been missing out on. New ideas and innovative ways of thinking will expedite this process, so expose yourself to creative expression as much as you can.

### LEO

July 23 - August 22

Your mood may shift from time to time today, but that doesn’t mean you won’t get a lot of things done. In fact, a long-anticipated conversation will set you straight on some confusing matters, a small but meaningful goal will finally be met and a casual relationship will solidify into something more. Your feelings will be hard to pin down and your energy will be a bit erratic, but you’ll end this day feeling content about the steps you’ve taken.

### VIRGO

August 23 - September 22

As soon as you wake up this morning, you’ll be raring to go! Whether your to-do list is teensy-weensy or a mile and a half long, you’ll be able to get everything done before sunset. Good work and a few lucky coincidences will save you a lot of time and prevent some pounding headaches. So what should you do with all the free time you’ll have tonight? Whatever the heck you want. Go out for a night on the town, or watch a sappy movie. Your time will be your own.

### LIBRA

September 23 - October 22

It may be time to say goodbye to something that’s been in your life for a very long time (too long, in fact). You’re moving into an exciting new phase of life, and to make the journey all the more successful, you need to drop off some old baggage and lighten your load. Admit to yourself that you have limitations, and don’t be embarrassed if you never reached that one thing you were working for. Let go of something that once inspired you, but is now frustrating.

### SCORPIO

October 23 - November 21

Your temper might be quick to flare today, so try to prevent stressful situations before they happen. If you can, separate yourself from the rest of the crowd and try to do your work or study solo. If that’s just not practical, keep your mind focused on your own priorities, and learn that when you argue with a fool, you’re giving them too much credit. People who want to push your buttons are simply not worth your energy. If you’re pushed, don’t push back.

### SAGITTARIUS

November 22 - December 21

You may wake up feeling like you’re under a black cloud this morning, but try not to let your pessimistic side take over every aspect of today. Worry and concern will surround you, but there are a lot of positive -- even happy -- things you can focus on, so keep an eye out for them! Cheerful people will be able to lift your spirits very effectively, so surround yourself with the folks who make you smile -- not the ones who make you question your own abilities.

### CAPRICORN

December 22 - January 19

Today, if an unexpected cancellation happens, take it as a sign that you need to slow down -- because you definitely do! What’s the rush, anyway? You’ve been running at full tilt for quite a while, but what you may not realize is that there’s no deadline looming ahead that you need to be too worried about. Don’t move according to someone else’s schedule. Instead, go at a pace that enables you to feel relaxed and at ease with yourself. That’s more important than anything else.

### AQUARIUS

January 20 - February 18

In this new push of yours to take more control over your future, don’t forget that a big part of being industrious is calling upon other people to help you. While you certainly shouldn’t depend on others to do things for you, there’s nothing wrong with reaching out and using your connections. After all, if you don’t use a connection, after a while you lose it. Call in a few favors, and be sure to make it clear to these folks that you know how to show the proper amount of gratitude.

### PISCES

February 19 - March 20

The good news is that all of your plans are coming together nicely now, and everything is humming along without a hitch. The bad news is that with less to keep you busy, you have a greater weakness for distraction. The frivolous stuff will catch your eye and could keep you from staying on your toes. It’s important to integrate entertainment and fun into your life, but you also need to maintain balance. Have fun, but stay alert.



**Veterans Lounge Opens for MU Vets.**  
The newly created Military Resource Center/Veteran Student Lounge celebrated its grand opening on November 10th, immediately following a Veteran's Appreciation Luncheon at 11:30am in North Manser Dining Hall.

The Resource Center is located in 138 Alumni Hall and is currently open and being used by our military students.

The mission of the MU Chapter of SVA is to provide veterans and current service members with the resources, assistance, direction, and support necessary for the successful transition from military to civilian life. As an organization we want to facilitate camaraderie and a good learning environment.

Officers of the MUSVO will be traveling to Anaheim California this January for the SVA national conference allowing them the opportunity to connect with other SVA campus leaders from around the country.

# SERVICE

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The ribbon of the Veteran's Lounge dedication ceremony was cut by MUSVO president Cecil Cooper

**MUSVO CHILI COOK OFF**  
Show your support for the MUSVO this Saturday, November 19 at 5:00 PM at the Mansfield VFW (across from Walmart). The MUSVO will host their 2nd annual chili cook off. This is a great event and a way to help out the MU student veterans as well as get some good chili. Put your best chili to the test and see if it will be named the MUSVO Best Chili. Registration cost to enter your chili is \$10, or \$5 to taste the best Chili Mansfield has to offer. To register, contact Cecil Cooper, SVA President at coopercg04@mounties.mansfield.edu

### Mansfield University Brass Band Performs at Bath VA.

By: ANDREW PUTT  
*Production Manager*  
The Mansfield Brass Band, under the direction of Dr. Nathan Rinnert traveled to the Bath, NY Veterans Hospital for a performance this past Veterans day. The ensemble has made an annual tradition of performing for those who have so bravely served. The Ensemble performed a variety of patriotic songs including "Armed Forces Salute," and an arrangement of "Home on the Range," arranged by Rinnert. "[I am] Thankful that I had the opportunity to express my gratitude for our veterans today in this special way.



It amazed me that as I was walking through the hall almost every person we passed thanked us for coming to play for them! I know that the songs we played have meanings to veterans that I can't understand but playing these songs for them is one of my favorite things to do.

-Kelsey Hurst, Cornet



PHOTO CREDITS ADAM MURLAND  
As a retired Brigadier General, USAF, I am committed to our nation's veterans. As a 1979 Graduate of Mansfield University, I am confident there is no better place than MU to prepare for your future. Our grads span the horizon of opportunity.

Fran Hendricks '79  
Brigadier General, USAF (Ret)  
President

To learn more about the psychology club and their upcoming projects visit their page: MU Psychology Club



**MU Psychology Club**  
The organization consists of about 20 active members, from a variety of majors. On Tuesday November 15, ten members of the organization (pictured below) volunteered nearly 2 hours of their time raking leaves for community members. The psychology club has also volunteered at the Wellsboro Shared Home in addition to volunteering their time to educate the public about healthy stress management at campus health fairs.



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Shelby Valvano on the right and Nico Alejandro pictured above were a part of the group of ten students who volunteered their time late Tuesday afternoon to rake the yards of local Mansfield community homes.



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# Mansfield President Speaks at Troy HS Veterans Day Assembly

Mansfield University President Fran Hendricks was the keynote speaker at the Veterans Day assembly at Troy High School on Friday, November 11.

Hendricks served 33 years in the US Air Force after graduating from Mansfield, retiring as a Brigadier General, before becoming president in 2013.

“The service members we honor today came from all walks of life, but they shared several fundamental qualities,” Hendricks said. “They possessed courage, pride, determination, selflessness, dedication to duty and integrity, all the qualities needed to serve a cause larger than one’s self. They were ordinary people who responded in extraordinary ways in extreme times. They rose to the nation’s call because they wanted to protect a nation which has given them, us, so much.”

Hendricks cited several examples throughout our nation’s history of those willing to serve and the importance of honoring their service and sacrifice.

“It is my contention, the nation’s next great generation is among us now,” he added. “They presently serve as volunteers in the defense of our nation, putting service before self. They have proven their mettle under fire. I have seen them firsthand and they are an impressive group. As one generation of Americans passes the baton of responsibility to the next, they do so with the complete confidence that the next generation of Americans is ready for the challenge. Please believe me when I say, every one of you in this room is going to do amazing things in your life. Your ability to pursue your dreams and aspirations will be made possible through the service and sacrifice of those in uniform.”

The program, themed “Respect, Honor, Gratitude,” also featured musical and dance performances, the reading of essays, a video presentation of student and staff family members who are veterans, presentation of the colors by Troy American Legion Post 49 and a special recognition of Troy students who have made a commitment to military service after graduation.

# Veterans Honored at Mansfield University

Mansfield University honored students, faculty and staff who are serving or have served in the U.S. military with a Veterans Appreciation Luncheon on Thursday, November 10 in North Manser Hall.

Thomas A. Brown, Pennsylvania Department of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) State Commander, was the guest speaker.

“Veterans Day salutes all who serve, regardless of where and when,” Brown said. “It is our day, which we equally share with our families who serve and sacrifice alongside of us. We honor the sacrifices of 22 million living veterans who have served our country for liberty and justice.”

MU President Fran Hendricks, who served 33 years in the US Air Force after graduating from Mansfield, retiring as a Brigadier General, thanked the veterans and active duty personnel at the event.

“This luncheon is for you and for all who have answered our nation’s call and made it possible that individuals can come to a school such as this in pursuit of their life’s dreams and aspirations,” Hendricks said.

The Veterans Appreciation Luncheon was sponsored by Mansfield VFW Post 6757, Morris Run American Legion Post 167, Arnot Sportsmen’s Cub, Blossburg American Legion Post 572, Troy Vets Club, Mansfield University Advancement Office, Bret Buterbaugh, Robert Rosenberg, Scott and Pam Boyce, Wade and Tanya Reese, Roger Maisner, Mindy Engel, Bonnie Phelps and Dusty Zeyn. The event sponsored by the MU Military & Veteran Affairs Office.

# MURAL continued from pg. 1

At the end of August this year, Laidacker started working on Mansfield University’s mural again. He worked on it constantly to get it finished before the end of the year. He cannot paint if the temperature dips below 40 degrees because of his paint. Laidacker is hoping to come up the weekend of November 18 to finish the mural.

“The mural tells a story,” Laidacker said. “You must look left to right to understand it.

“On the far left it makes a reference to Mansfield being a State Normal School with only women. North Hall in the background makes a reference to integration, [when the school became co-ed], and to the first night football game. As far as the faux marble effect and the Tromp L’oeil letters spelling out ‘Mansfield University,’ I wanted to show off my technical chops a little bit,” Laidacker said.

The mural is approximately 65 inches high feet tall and 103 feet long. Laidacker said he wanted to make every inch of it look interesting no matter which way one viewed it. He focused on every detail.

As many artists do, Laidacker added some personal touches. One such detail is that he painted himself and his college roommate into the mural. (On the right end of the mural, Laidacker is the man in the blue shirt. His roommate is wearing a striped shirt.) He also added one of the new residence halls on the far right. Looking at the mural gives visitors a moving snapshot of Mansfield University over the years.

Finishing a project so close to his heart makes Laidacker happy and sad and nostalgic and proud. [It would be perfect to have a final quote from the artist right here.]

# Rachel Levine speaks at MU

By CJ MORAN  
*Staff Writer*

Dr. Rachel Levine, the first female transgender physician general for Pennsylvania, came to Mansfield for a dinner and to give a lecture at Allen Hall on Thursday, November 3. During her lecture, Dr. Levine went over LGBTQ issues, gender roles, and LGBTQ history. Her point of view made the lecture more accurate and more personal.

Dr. Levine was a doctor at Penn State College of Medicine. She worked in adolescent/young adult patient care for twenty years, and still teaches medical students, though she no longer sees patients. However, on a broad scale, she does the same work - the only difference is that from her new position as physician general, she helps people indirectly instead of indirectly. In fact, this is her personal mission. She wants to help people in

# Letter to the editor: William’s Lament

By JIRO MASHO  
*Flashlight Contributor*

Dear Editor,

Every year as young women go off to college they almost always leave behind romantic relationships that don’t survive the separation. Young men suffer broken hearts. One such young man who’s girl friend went off to Mansfield U. to study nursing has such a broken heart. Please consider including the following lament in your next edition. Dedicate it to all those young men who have experienced a fate similar to William’s.

William’s Lament

I wonder who’s kissing her now,  
I wonder who’s teaching her how,  
I wonder how’s looking into her eyes,  
Breathing sighs, tell lies.

I wonder who’s buying the wine,  
For the lips that use to touch mine.  
I wonder if she ever tells him of me,  
I wonder who’s kissing her now.

# The Flashlight needs writers like you!

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# Flash Fiction: *The Night It Rained*

by EVAN JOHNSON

*Co-Editor-in-Chief*

The first time I heard Found a Job by The Talking Heads, I was at a friend's party and Phobos shined down on everyone like a second Sun. I remember this for two reasons: The first is that night when that song was playing I met the love of my life, Ruth and the other reason is because that was the night everything changed. After that night there was no music, no movies, no television shows, and not many people. That was the last time I heard the sound of laughter or happiness. That was the first night of the Rain showers. Nobody knows when it is going to begin Raining and when it does it's like getting coldcocked by Mother Nature. Rain showers wiped out about 95% of Mars' population and the few humans that remain are not long for this world because of the various hazards out there. From the deadly gangs to the equally deadly radiation, the Rain isn't the worst of everyone's problems.

Somehow, Ruth and I managed to get to safety before the worst of the Rain had fallen. I loved her the moment I laid eyes on her, but when I held her shaking body in the empty stall of the subway bathroom we hid in The Night It Rained, I never wanted to lose her and have been doing everything in my power to keep her alive. That first Night It Rained occurred three years ago. It still Rains occasionally and it is best to stay underground or someplace where the roof is strong. Never go outside for long or without protection because you don't want to be there when it Rains.

We had to learn that the hard way and is how we lost our only child. I think that the smell was what drew us out that night. The blood and skin from the previous night's Rain showers had been washed into the sewers and caused a flood of blood when it came back up. I needed to get formula for our baby. He hadn't even been alive for a full month before his life was cut short by a Rain shower. The smell of old blood and rotten skin made it unbearable to stay underground and forced our hand. We had to leave, the blood had seeped in through the pipes and was now coming out of the faucets. I took a blood shower and didn't even realize it until it looked like I had been covered in tomato soup.

When the water turned to blood, the sound of the dripping faucets had grown louder with the thick blood that was now coming out. Our son wouldn't sleep because of the dripping which is another reason why we left. We would have just stayed if it was only Ruth and I, but we were new parents and let our child dictate our lives. I wish we still had our son around to dictate our lives. His death put a wedge between Ruth and I. I'll never forget the sound of his cries for help when Ruth and I were hiding in the car. We had to watch our infant son die, knowing there was nothing we could do without putting our lives in danger. I wasn't about to

lose Ruth and I forced myself to watch our son die, so that I would never forget how dangerous the outside world is and not to make the mistake of being out too long. It was also a form of penance, for my sins as a father.

Lately, Ruth has been getting restless and looking for any excuse to leave cover. Last time her excuse was birth control. We don't even have sex anymore, not since our child died and all of the pills are expired anyway. The last time Ruth came back I barely recognized her. She couldn't talk or at least refused to and her bare skull was visible on certain parts of her face. Most of her hair was gone and she just stared at me with her left eye, which was the only eye that worked. Her right eye looked like a bowl of strawberry milk. She kept staring at me as I attempted to keep her pain down. I decided that it was best that she slept. While she was asleep, I ended her pain. I don't regret it, I believe she's with our son now.

That belief in a happy afterlife and my memories are all I have. I've been self-medicating with whatever I can find. Alcohol, drugs, junk food, it doesn't matter as long as it numbs the pain. But, the pain has become too much to bear. So, I am writing this in the hopes that you will not make the same mistake that I did. Whoever you are and whenever you find this, I want you to know that this isn't a journal, it's my attempt at writing a survival guide. Everything that I did wrong is in the pages of this journal and everything I have seen. Some of the stuff is common sense, like staying out of the Rain. Anyone who is still alive knows to stay out of the Rain, but the other stuff is what you can learn the hard way (as I did) or by learning from others, which I hope writing this will do.

A few minutes ago, Found a Job began playing over the speakers in the Lunar Mall. You know the one I'm talking about. It's the only mall where both moons, Phobos and Deimos, are visible in the skylight. Anyway, I took this as a sign to move on and pass my knowledge to someone who hopefully won't be as stupid as I was and can learn from my mistakes. It can't be a coincidence that that song is playing. Out of all of the songs on the playlist, it had to be that one. You don't understand the significance of that song, you can't understand. I'm not even sure if I understand the meaning of it, I only know that it means something to me. I don't know what else I can say. Please, make it back to Earth and never come back to this cursed red hell of a planet. Live and don't stop living until you die of old age comfortably in your bed.

I hope you last longer than I and if you manage to find this, whoever you are, I have one piece of advice that is the most important thing I will say: stay hidden from everything. I didn't and lost everything that I loved. Now, all I can do is hope that you will have the sense to listen to my words of advice. Please stay hidden and alive. The Rain has to stop eventually.

# Holiday concerts sets for Dec. 3-4

by TERRY DAY

*Flashlight Contributor*

"Grant Us Peace" will be the theme of the annual Mansfield University holiday choral concerts on Saturday, December 3 at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, December 4 at 2:30 p.m. in Steadman Theatre.

More than 150 singers and instrumentalists in the Women's Chorus, Men's Chorus, Festival Chorus, Chamber Singers, and the Concert Choir will take part. Peggy Dettwiler, producer and director, has programmed music from historical classics to popular favorites that celebrate the seasons of Christmas and Hanukkah.

This year's theme, "Grant Us Peace," is taken from the Latin phrase, Dona nobis pacem, found in the Agnus Dei of the Roman Catholic Mass and appropriated for a number of choral works.

The finale of these holiday concerts will unite all of the choirs in singing the final

movement of Dona Nobis Pacem by Vaughan Williams with organ and percussion. The united voices always provide a powerful ending to these celebrative December performances.

And the audience will enjoy singing familiar holiday carols with organ accompaniment by Marian Miller. A winter village backdrop has been ordered to set the stage for a lovely evening.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$8 for seniors and students, \$5 for students and children and are available online at music.mansfield.edu or by calling (570)662-4710.

MU students with ID will be admitted free.

Due to the popularity of the holiday concert, patrons are encouraged to purchase tickets in advance and arrive 30 minutes before concert time.

The concert is supported in part by student activity fees.

# Editorial: Thoughts on James Patterson and his writing style

By KLINE KAUFER

*Editor-in-Chief*

In the past two months, I have read two James Patterson novels. First, I read *Mistress* and just a few days ago I finished *Swimsuit*. Both books are stand-alone novels. He has several series going including Alex Cross, Women's Murder Club, Michael Bennet, Maximum Ride and NYPD Red, none which I have read. While *Mistress* and *Swimsuit* are approximately 400 pages, the book is actually much shorter. A chapter lasts for 5 pages at most, but an average size chapter is about 2 pages, if not shorter. Also, for example, each chapter heading does not start until halfway down the page, which displays mostly white space. Many authors have white space on their pages such as Elmore Leonard, but his novels are filled with back-and-forth dialogue between characters. His chapters are also much longer than Patterson's. Short chapters give the illusion that the reader is plowing through the book because the constant flipping of the pages.

Like most of his works, he is the co-writer in both *Mistress* and *Swimsuit*. I have seen interviews with him and when asked how he works with another author; he seems to brush off the question. I personally think he writes the outline and then has the cowriter do the rest of the work. The reason I feel this way is James Patterson has been criticized for being more of a brand than an author. In fact, he worked in advertising for many years after his

long-time girlfriend passed away in the 1980s as way of getting away from reality.

In a CBS interview that came out over the Summer called, "From The Pencil of James Patterson," he gives a walk-through of his office and impresses the interviewer with all of the manuscripts around the room. He then opens several drawers which show-off more books he is in the process of writing. I find it next to impossible that a writer is capable of all this work, even if he is working seven days a week. I thought both *Mistress* and *Swimsuit* were fun, easy reads, but if a reader wants to build a connection to the characters and read a compelling work of fiction, they may want to reconsider. These books do not have good character development and the best way I can compare them to anything would be a fast-paced popcorn action movie. For example, if a character has to go on a plane from the United States to Europe, that character will be at his/her destination within a few pages. Patterson does not go into details. I read two Patterson books out of curiosity. Avid readers may be disappointed with the quality of literature he is capable of producing. If someone has a goal to read a certain amount of books in a year, they may be interested to read some of his books. It is possible to read one in a short period of time, possibly even in a single day.

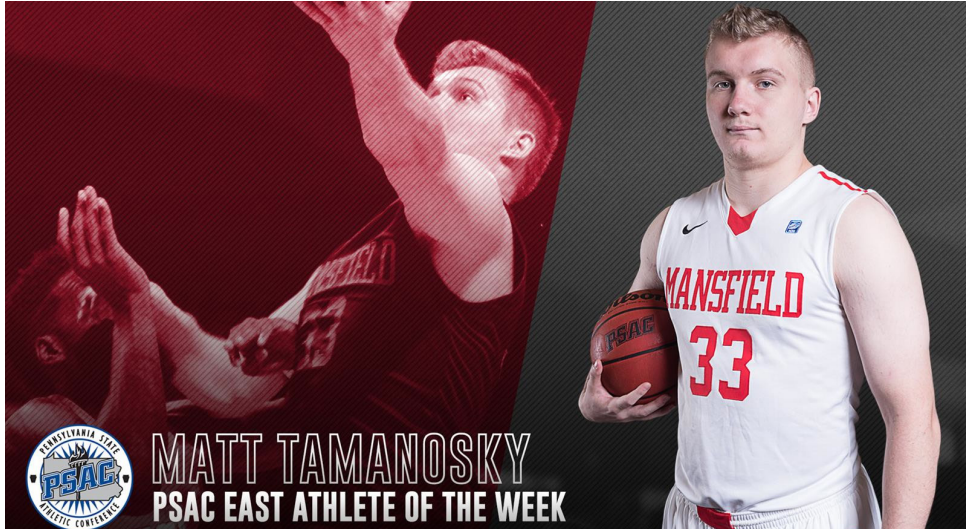


# The Flashlight

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## Tamanosky named PSAC East Player of the week



**MATT TAMANOSKY**  
PSAC EAST ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

Photo Courtesy of GoMounties

Tamanosky was named most improved player in 2015-2016

Mansfield University standout Matt Tamanosky has been named the first PSAC East Player of the Week for the 2016-17 season for his outstanding performance for the Mountaineers during the Trojan Invitational at Virginia State this past weekend.

Tamanosky was the game-high scorer in a 66-60 loss to St. Augustine's in the tournament opener as well as in a stunning 49-48 win over host, and defending CIAA Champion, Virginia State.

The 6-5, junior hit 9-of-10 attempts from the field and scored 23 points against St. Au-

gustine's and followed that performance with a game-best 17 points in the upset win over Virginia State.

For the two games, Tamanosky averaged 20.0 points per game while connecting on a remarkable 80% of his shots from the floor (16-20). He also hit on 6-of-8 free throws and pulled down four rebounds.

Mansfield travels to Penn State Brandywine Tuesday before hosting PSAC West rivals Seton Hill and California this Saturday and Sunday afternoons on First Citizens Community Bank Court in Decker Gymnasium.

## Gardiner's Tip-In in final seconds lifts Mansfield past Virginia State

Jahyde Gardiner tipped-in a missed lay-up with three seconds remaining to give Mansfield an incredible 49-48 win over defending CIAA Champion Virginia State Saturday night in the VSU Tip-Off Classic.

"We followed our game plan to a tee and it paid off," explained head coach Pat Zipfel. "It was a great win for us in a tough place to play."

Matt Tamanosky was 7-of-10 from the floor on his way to a game-high 17 points to lead the Mounties in double-figure scoring. Gardiner recorded a double-double with 14 points and 10 boards while Malik Carterchipped in 12. Carter and Cedrick Powelleach dished out four assists.

Virginia State was led by Kevin William's 16 points with Elijah Moore adding 10.

Mansfield (1-1, 0-0 PSAC) jumped out to a quick 9-2 lead over the first four minutes of the game, but Virginia State (1-1, 0-0 CIAA) fought back to close within one point at 11-10. The Mounties used an 8-0 run capped by Carter's fast break lay-up to jump ahead of the Trojans and hold its biggest lead of the half at 13 points twice before halftime.

Mansfield took a 32-20 advantage into the break.

In the second half, Mansfield continued to

roll, building a 17-point lead, but the Trojans used a huge momentum swing and a 15-0 run to close within two points at 39-37 at the midway point of the half.

Virginia State tied the game at 42-42 with 6:10 to play before taking its first lead of the game on Moore's trey. A Williams bucket with 3:38 to play put the Trojans up 48-42, but Mansfield would hold its opponent scoreless throughout the remainder of the game.

Tamanosky's lay-up brought it within four points before Gardiner hit the front end of a 1-and-1. Another Tamanosky lay-up put Mansfield within one point at 48-47 with just under a minute to play allowing Gardiner to score the game winner with seconds remaining.

Virginia State got the ball with three seconds left on the clock and had to go the full distance of the court, but the potential game-winning shot was off target.

The Trojans held a 46-34 rebounding advantage including pulling down 19 offensive boards.

Virginia State received votes in the preseason national coaches poll and are ranked third in the Atlantic Region. The Trojans defeated Division I Norfolk State the same day that Mansfield upset Division I Duquesne last Saturday.

## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
18	19 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Seton Hill University 1:00 p.m.  Men's Basketball: Moun- taineers vs. Seton Hill University 3:00 p.m.	20 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. California University (PA) 1:00 p.m.  Men's Basketball: Moun- taineers vs. California University (PA) 7:00 p.m.	21	22	23 Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Mercy College 3:00 p.m.	24
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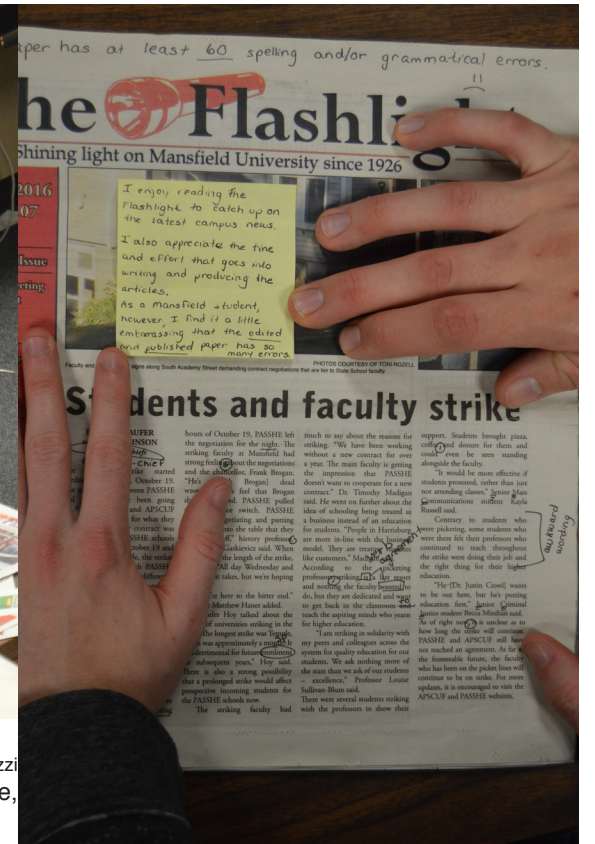
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Photo Courtesy of an unknown member of the paparazzi

Evan Johnson, Kline Kaufer and Andrew Putt crying hysterically. Johnson points to post-it note, making Kline more upset. Who has a better beard, Andrew or Evan?



## Paparazzi spots Flashlight staff upset

by Brad Berliner  
*Smooth Criminal*

The Flashlight recently received a note criticizing the paper, but the writer claims he/she enjoys reading the paper. Not only did this upset the staff, but this is a complete shock because the writers had always thought they were 100% perfect before getting this news. Andrew, Kline and Evan were the only ones to soak the news in and develop their thoughts. The other writers and photographers immediately started crying uncontrollably and had to be escorted out of Alumni Hall by ambulance. The bad news doesn't end there, since the trauma was so harsh, they had to be hospitalized. These members whose names I will not disclose, have still not been released and are expected to undergo further mental evaluations. The news doesn't end there. Professor Mason has since turned into a zombie. A reaction in his body must have been triggered. He has accepted residence in the same lab that turned Norm Osbourn into the Green Goblin. Even though he does

a great job advising, he couldn't bear to see his students in such disarray. The novels he reads now became a reality to him. "We are shocked and deeply saddened by this unfortunate turn of events, especially with such a successful semester. We thought we were doing the campus a good deed and sharing news in the best way possible, but it looks like some people are more sensitive than others," said Editor-in-Chief, Kline Kaufer.

This news was shared with Nick Hartnraft, former Editor-in-Chief and current Super Advisor of The Flashlight and unlike the rest of the rest of the staff, he did not shed even a single tear. "If you're going to criticize The Flashlight, make sure you know AP style. Help out, don't hide, we won't bite, well Professor Mason may due his zombie-like state." Hartnraft then started throwing computers and started raiding the file cabinets only to find old issues of the paper. He then stormed off and has been on the FBI's most wanted list since the incident took place.

Many questions have to be asked: How does this person know where our office is? Is this person working for central intelligence? Is there a conspiracy going on at Mansfield University? Who would have the gaul to criticize a newspaper that could easily be compared to any professional newspaper including The New York Times or The Daily News? And lastly, is this person actually a person? We ask you politely to reveal yourself so you can show us your ways and mentor us. This person was clearly trained by Obi Wan Kenobi and took several lessons on how to be a Jedi. There is also the possibility that the writer of this article is just blowing this whole ordeal out of proportion and it isn't actually an ordeal.

"I just thought by combining the yearbook with the newspaper we would have a better outreach to the students, but by the looks of it, we have not been accomplishing anything," said production manager, Andrew Putt. Putt wanted to continue this interview, but his tears started ruining the

interviewee's notes and he had to walk away. Putt has not been able to sleep since this incident. Putt has since dropped out of college and couldn't handle just one more week. What you are reading right now could be completely wrong. In fact, it probably is.

Due to this news, The Flashlight has been struggling to produce material. With the hospitalization of several members, the transformation of Professor Mason and the sorrow shared by the staff, the only way The Flashlight will be able to go on will be through hardship: blood, sweat, more blood, maybe some more sweat (depends what day we decide to go in the sauna) and tears, other than Andrew Putt's. Now it is the time for students all over campus, in different majors to help out, from graphic design, to English to nutrition to psychology. In order to prevail, we would like to make the paper larger with more content. To improve this potential "grade A" source of news, some final important words must be said: Make The Flashlight Great Again.



# Info-To-Go

## Campus Bulletin Board

12/9/16 - Last day of classes

12/10/16 - Hangover Day

12/11/16 - Say Hello to B Rez Day All Day

12/11/16 - Lars Ulrich of Metallica will appear at Lower Manser to apologize for being a terrible drummer

12/12/16 - Fidel Castro’s ghost will be speaking at Allen Hall for an hour, after that he will disappear for eternity

12/13/16 - Eric Clapton will be playing the Crossroads at The Hut on 10 p.m.

12/14/16 - Vincent Vega and Mia Wallace will be participating in the dance contest at Jack Rabbit Slimm’s

12/14/16 - Scooby Doo and the Mystery Gang will be investigating Old Man Ruthers who lives in backroom of The Flashlight office

12/15/16 - Emory Davies will be doing live-nude full-album cover of Stone Temple Pilot’s Core at 9 p.m. in The Hut

12/16/16 - President Obana will be speaking at MU to congratulate everyone for completing their finals. With B Rez giving out awards

12/16/16 - Marlon Brando’s ghost will showing a special viewing of Last Tango in Paris to participating students at Butler

12/17/16 - The Ghostbusters will be coming to MU to deal with the seemingly endless supply of ghosts holding events around campus

# POLICE BEAT

11/32/16- An anonymous phone call was made to the police to report a “loud and disturbing laugh.” Evan Johnson is the only suspect and has been detained because he has the most unusual laugh in the world. Really its terrifying. Just run if you hear it. Like seriously. This isn’t a joke.

11/33/16- Mekensie Huggler was reported to have stolen \$45,000 worth of biology equipment from Grant Science Center. These items include two microscopes, a magic wand, and a time machine. She claims she can disprove evolution with these instruments. Huggler has been deported to Kentucky.

12/002/16- Cody Getz was arrested in North Hall for screaming, “Margaret Thatcher naked on a cold day” repeatedly. He was drug tested and tested positively for having too much mojo in his blood stream. He has been sent back to Dr. Evil’s lair and will spend the rest of his life there.

12/3/16- Kline Kaufer got in trouble for talking about Fetty Wap in the South Hall Mall and was made to apologize for his remarks. He has since gone into hiding.

12/3/16- Kayla Russell was spotted outside Manser caressing a Tom Hanks mannequin while doing the mannequin challenge. Ben Danner was her accomplice and have both been banned from campus.

12/.05/16- A homeless man was spotted in the back room of The Flashlight office while the staff was working on this issue of the paper. After yelling and screaming, between Evan Johnson and the suspect, Nick Hartnraft came forth and admitted that the homeless man was him. He has been arrested and is now living in the jail cell in Doane.

# WORLD NEWS

12/2/16 - Outkast will be dropping bombs over Baghdad

12/3/16 - Purple rain storms coming out of North Korea. The North Korean government is unleashing a purple reign of terror among all citizens caught in the storms

12/4/16 - Wacky Races will start in London

12/7/16 - Fetty Wapp said to replace Donald Trump in speech negotiations in North Korea. Kanye West will assist Fetty Wapp in translating North Korean to English

12/7/16 - Quentin Tarantino begins filming new Australian gangster drama on site in Sydney

12/8/16 - Dan Mason defects to North Korea but then changes his mind and heads for the Soviet Union

12/14/16 - Tony Soprano visits Sicily only to get driven out by the Vipers!

12/15/16 - Avon Barksdale travels to Greece to meet Greek officials about future trades and to improve on international relations but was caught in transit by McNulty

1/7/99 - Bill Clinton impeachment trial begins

2/95/94 - Kurt Cobain found alive, but has gone mute

12/8/16 - Noah’s ark found on Mansfield University campus under Cedarcrest



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Photo Courtesy by Mansfield Music Department

The Concert Choir will be performing at Carnegie Hall on January 14th

## **Ringling in the holidays with the annual choir concert**

By **KLINE KAUFER**  
*Editor-in-Chief*

The Mansfield University music department held the annual Holiday Choral Concerts on Saturday, December 3 at 7:30pm and Sunday December 4 at 2:30pm in Steadman Theatre. This year's theme was "Grant Us Peace." Professor Peggy Dettwiler produced and directed the concert which consisted of four choir groups: Grace Notes, Steadmen, Chamber Singers, Festival Chorus, and Concert Choir. Membership is not only exclusive for each choir group. The Concert Choir and Festival

Choir participate in the Grace Notes and Steadman choruses as well. The concert ended with all five choirs being combined and together they sang "Nation Shall Not Lift Up a Sword against Nation". A standing ovation concluded performances both days.

During the transitions of each group entering and exiting the theatre, there was audience sing-alongs. Lyrics were displayed on both sides of the theatre from a projector. The PowerPoint was put together by Dr. Monkeliën. The concert consisted of songs about the three Abrahamic religions: Christianity, Judaism and Islam. Ajaaz Zainul and members of the

Islamic Association of the Finger Lakes were in attendance at the concert. Zainul spoke about Islam being a peaceful religion. Zainul emigrated to the United States in 1985 from The Republic of Guyana, South America. He pursued a career in fiber optics, photonics and optics and then graduated with an MS degree in optics from University of Rochester in 1994. Zainul visited the university on a similar occasion in 2013. He has a book published entitled *Chanting the Names of God*. The program given to the viewers contained lyrics to the songs that were translated, so the audience could both watch the performance and follow along. Marian Miller

performed organ for "O Holy Night". Several songs consisted of the addition of percussion instruments such as finger cymbals, snare drum and piano on "Do You Hear What I Hear?"

Viewers of the concert had the option to purchase CDs and DVDs during the intermission and after the performance. The concert was funded in part by student activity fees. The concert was filmed by Wellsboro Homepage and the audio was recorded through the recording studio in Steadman Theatre. A DVD and CD will soon be available for purchase.



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Hometown Holiday Saturday Saturday December 10 at Mansfield Fire Hall. The Vendor Fair will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. and The Chinese Auction will be held 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

J.C.C. Japanese Culture Club Movie Night. The first show is Saturday December 10 at 6 p.m. at the second show will be at 8 p.m.

Chillin With the Canines and Flirtin with the Felines on Tuesday December 13 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. in 307 Alumni

This is the final issue of The Flashlight for the Fall 2016 semester.

Thank you for choosing to read our newspaper.

# POLICE BEAT

- **Anyone with information on any these events are encouraged to contact the Mansfield University Police at 570-439-4900 -**

**11/28/16** - University Police were dispatched to Oak Hall Room 304 for a fire alarm. Upon arrival at room 304 there was a very strong and noticable odor of Marijuana emanating from the room. A residence life staff member witnessed resident Isaiah Bethea, Jevon Nelson, and several other unknown individuals leave the room during the fire alarm. After speaking with Bethea, he admitted to smoking Marijuana in his room. Bethea and Nelson are being Judicially Referred.

**11/28/16** - University Police responded to Oak Hall 2nd floor short wing for an odor of marijuana. While the odor was being investigated, the door to room 211 was opened and 2 unknown individuals left in separate directions, while the resident, Jevon Nelson was spraying air freshner. A faint smell of marijuana was able to be detected in the room. Nelson is being Judicially Referred.

**11/22/16** - University Police received a call for an alcohol violation. Members of the Residence Life Staff were conducting health and safety checks in Spruce when they entered room 445 Suite A alcohol was found. Less than a quarter bottle of Chambord raspberry liquor and about a quarter bottle of New Amsterdam mango flavored vodka was found belonging to Kelly Allaire. These items were seized and disposed of properly. Kelly was Judicially referred.

# World News

## Headlines from across the planet

*Blurbs courtesy of cnn.com*



**12/7/16 - PIA plane crash: All 47 on board killed; Pakistani pop star among victims**

- All 47 people on board the Pakistan International Airlines flight that crashed near Abbottabad were killed, the airline said

- The pilot made a mayday call, saying he lost control of one of the two engines

- Pakistani pop star Junaid Jamshed was among those on board, his manager says

**12/7/16 - Indonesia earthquake: Rescuers search for survivors after over 100 killed**

- Rescuers are combing through the rubble for survivors after an earthquake Wednesday morning in Indonesia's Aceh province

- At least 102 killed, but death toll expected to rise, official says

- Residents flee to hills fearing another tsunami though no warning issued

**12/7/16 - ISIS hostage John Cantlie appears in propaganda video**

- British journalist John Cantlie appears in a new ISIS propaganda video recently recorded in Mosul, Iraq, Iraqi security officials told CNN

- The last time Cantlie was seen alive was in a July ISIS propaganda video

- The newest Cantlie video appears to have been recorded within the last

few days, Iraqi security officials tell CNN

**12/7/16 - Italy's Matteo Renzi officially resigns after crushing referendum defeat**

- Italian Prime Minister Matteo Renzi officially resigned Wednesday after a crushing defeat in a referendum on constitutional reform

- Renzi gave his official resignation to the President on Wednesday evening

- Almost 60% of Italians voted against Renzi's constitutional reforms

**12/7/16 - Aleppo girl Bana Alabed: Our neighborhood has fallen**

- The family of a 7-year-old girl who has captured the world's imagination with her heartbreaking tweets from Aleppo says the Syrian army has taken control of their area of the city

- Girl tweeting inside eastern Aleppo says they are "trapped by bombs"

- Her 200,000 Twitter followers had feared for her safety after account was deleted

**12/7/16 - 56 patients missing after escape from Kenyan mental facility**

- Hours after medical workers', strike began on Monday, 61 patients from the country's largest mental facility escaped the hospital grounds, climbing an exterior wall and wandering across the Kenyan capital

- 61 patients from Kenya's largest mental facility escaped the hospital grounds

- Medical workers in Kenya began strike action on Monday over pay

- More than 24 hours later, just five of missing patients had been found



Final Exam Schedule Fall 2016			
If your class meets M/W/F		Your final exam is scheduled:	
8:00 or 8:30 a.m.	Monday	12/12/2016	8:00a.m.
9:00 or 9:30 a.m.	Wednesday	12/14/2016	8:00a.m.
10:00 or 10:30 a.m.	Monday	12/12/2016	10:15a.m.
11:00 or 11:30 a.m.	Wednesday	12/14/2016	10:15a.m.
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1:00 or 1:30 p.m.	Wednesday	12/14/2016	1:00p.m.
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6:00 or 6:15 or 6:30 p.m. (M)	Monday	12/12/2016	6:30p.m.
4:00 or 4:30 or 5:00 p.m. (MW)	Wednesday	12/14/2016	5:30p.m.
6:00 or 6:15 or 6:30 p.m. (W)	Wednesday	12/14/2016	6:30p.m.

If your class meets T/TH		Your final exam is scheduled:	
8:00 or 8:30 a.m.	Tuesday	12/13/2016	8:30a.m.
9:30 or 10:00 a.m.	Thursday	12/15/2016	8:30a.m.
11:00 or 11:30 a.m. or 12:00 pm	Tuesday	12/13/2016	10:45a.m.
12:30 or 1:00 or 1:30 p.m.	Thursday	12/15/2016	10:45a.m.
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6:00 or 6:15 or 6:30 p.m. (TH)	Thursday	12/15/2016	6:30p.m.

## MU Concert Choir to Perform at Carnegie Hall; Alumni Association Offers Bus Trip for Concert

The Mansfield University Concert Choir will perform at Carnegie Hall on Saturday, January 14 and the MU Alumni Association is offering fans and supporters the chance to take in the performance in New York City.

The Concert Choir, directed by Peggy Dettwiler, is one of only nine choirs invited to perform as part of the Performing Arts Educators’ 11th Annual Invitational.

The concert begins at 2 p.m. The MU Concert Choir will perform a segment during the concert and then join with all the other ensembles, creating a choir of approximately 500 voices, for the grand finale.

For a cost of \$100 per person, the Alumni Association has arranged for motor coach transportation and a concert ticket.

A ticket only option of \$50 is offered anyone living in the New York metropolitan area or who is providing their own transportation. Anyone who would like to just visit New York City for the day can ride the bus for \$50 per person.

For more information and to purchase tickets, go to the Events page at alumni.mansfield.edu

Deadline for ticket purchases is January 4.

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25  Thanksgiving Holiday - No Classes	26	27	28  Worsship Night at The Hut 7:00 p.m  MU Percussion Ensebmle Concert 7:30 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.  Monday Night Football at The Hut 8:30 p.m. - 11:30 p.m.	29  Chow with the chaplains 11:30 a.m.  Bible Study 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.  Tuesdya Night Team Trivia at The Hut 9:00 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	30  Admissions Bus Visit: Wy- alusing High School Gifted Students Bus Trip 10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.  “Women of Distinction” Carrer Expo 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	1  Utility of Continuous Instream Monitoring in Pennsylvania 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.



## Fall 2016 Senior Biology Presentations Concluded



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The senior biology presenters following their presentations. Back(L-R): Cody Sprague, Matthew Moccia & Brady Riedel. Front (L-R): Evan Mosser, Laura Lawson, Sara Huffman & Cooper Barshinger.

### By ANDREW PUTT

#### Production Manager

Each semester Mansfield Biology department seniors present their senior research presentations for faculty and peers. Mansfield University is the only Pennsylvania state school that requires all biology majors to complete a senior independent research project. Many students spend half a year or longer developing their research under the guidance of their research advisors. These students spend countless hours in the field, late nights and long hours analyzing data in SPSS and R. The final 2016 senior research seminar was held at 6:30 pm Wednesday December 7, in room 153, Grant Science Center.

At this year's seminar, seven student presenters represented a variety of biological topics and in-depth biological research. Laura Lawson was first to present her research, "Stress Induced Aggressive Behaviors in African Soft Fur Rats (*Mastomys natalensis*)." Sara Huffman a senior biology major only days from graduation presented on "The Effects of Artificial Sweeteners on Appetite and Weight Gain in African Soft Fur Rats (*Mastomys natalensis*)." Huffman said that "despite all the stress, the experience was completely worthwhile." Cody Sprague presented his senior

research on "The Effect of Aspartame on Metabolic Rate and Fluid Regulation in African Soft Fur Rats (*Mastomys natalensis*)." Matthew Moccia wrapped up the first half of the event with his presentation, "The Effect of Aluminum Cations on the Spontaneous Electrical Activity of Nerve Three in the Crayfish Neuromuscular Junction." Brady Riedel took to the stage following the break presenting on "The Effect of Glyphosate and Triclopyr Herbicides on Japanese Barberry and Asiatic Tearthumb in Riparian Buffers." Evan Mosser presented his senior research "Prey Selection Preferences of Smallmouth Bass (*Micropterus dolomieu*) in Relation to Varying Densities of Prey." Finally, Cooper Barshinger closed out the night with "Influence of Trout Stocking on Predator Prey Relationships of Cutlip Minnow (*Exoglossum maxillingua*) Within the Tioga River Watershed."

This year, the seminar featured a new element. During the break between the senior presentations, the lobby was filled with posters and trifold from student groups. Each group presented their in-class research. These presentations represented the research being conducted in Dr. Long's molecular class and Dr. Cliffords animal behavior class.

## Letter to the editor: An alumni's solution to a better newspaper

The Trashlight article on the front page of this week's issue of the Flashlight might make light of the current staffing situation at The Flashlight and the critique they received from a less-than-impressed reader, however, I feel some directness on these matters is in order.

It has always been the case that The Flashlight has been the subject of a great deal of scrutiny from the University at large. Rightfully so. Writers, editors and other contributors stick their necks out on a bi-weekly basis to try and produce a paper that, if all goes right, is both informative and entertaining. Not an easy task – I was once a writer, photographer and editor. And I Still am. All thanks to my time at The Flashlight.

So first, I'd like to make a call to arms for all capable students to join The Flashlight. When the current staff told me about the anonymous corrections left at the Flashlight's doorstep, they asked me how to approach the criticism. This made me think of another incident that happened during my time at The Flashlight. I will never misspell Lock Haven ever again.

I ran a sports story where Mansfield Boys Basketball team squared off against The LOCH Haven Falcons... not my smartest move. But to be honest, Loch made sense at the time. At our weekly meeting where we critiqued the issue, our advisor caught the mistake and I thought that was the end of it. What soon followed was a series of secret emails sent between higher-ups at the University behind closed doors. These emails gawked at our honest mistake and blew it way out of proportion. When public

emails sent out by the President also had frequent mistakes, typos and the like I asked myself, Was/is it the case we are held to a higher standard than our own University President? Should we be infallible? I think not. I think in that case, as with this anonymous "edited" paper, these were attacks to diminish what fellow University members are trying to produce. There will always be mistakes in the paper – with such a small staff it's inevitable. What needs to change to make the mistakes less frequent is for students and faculty to stand behind their newspaper.

The paper is the last vestige of a student funded and operated publication. Seriously, if you are even thinking about a career in writing, communications or English as a whole, it would be wise to have works actually published. No potential employer will give a damn what you got on your essay "The existential dilemma of Noam Chomsky's philosophical views" or whatever academic fodder you occupy your time with. As a wise Journalism professor once told a room full of prospective writers, one of which was me, "you need live ammunition if you want to make it anywhere with your writing."

I'd like to give this anonymous person the benefit of the doubt. I sincerely hope that you continue to critically read The Flashlight and offer feedback. I hope that you even maybe do more next semester.

I personally made a trip to see all the critiques you made. You were right

on a lot of them – there was and always has been typos sprinkled throughout the paper. However, you insisted on inserting Oxford commas – AP style, which is the world-wide guiding writing style of journalists, states that Oxford commas, though not wholly incorrect, are seldom needed and are only recommended if it is separating a complex series of items or clauses.

The point I'm clumsily trying to make is that despite all things the community has to offer The Flashlight in critiques (thank you for the constructive ones) the paper has just as much to offer students and the university.

I'd like to commend the students who have taken on the task of writing and producing this fall semester's paper. Even though I've graduated I still hear from the folks at the Flashlight from time to time and like to pick up the newspaper to see what is going on at Mansfield. Working for the Flashlight and attending Mansfield is something I'll never forget.

Nick Hartranft  
Class of '15

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# ASM undergraduate research fellowships awarded

By **ANDREW PUTT**  
*Production Manager*

Washington DC – December 6, 2016— The American Society for Microbiology (ASM) has selected Andrew Putt from Mansfield University of Pennsylvania as a 2016 award recipient of the ASM Undergraduate Research Fellowship.

This fellowship is aimed at highly competitive students who wish to pursue graduate careers (Ph.D. or M.D./Ph.D.) in microbiology. Andrew conducted full time summer research this past summer at Mansfield under the supervision of Dr. Jeanne Kagle. Both Andrew and his ASM mentor, Dr. Kagle will present their research results at the 2017 ASM Microbe Meeting (formerly known as the ASM General Meeting) in New Orleans, LA June 2017 pending the acceptance of the research abstract.

This year, eighty-five applications were received and forty-two were awarded. Of the forty-two awardees, thirty students are from research and doctoral granting universities and twelve students including Putt from undergraduate and masters' granting institutions.

Putt and Kagle spent the entirety of the summer and the fall 2016 semester developing the project entitled Detection and monitoring of triclosan degradation gene expression in situ. The research was an analysis of the presence of triclosan degradation genes in the environment. Based on an analysis of 218 publically available sewage metagenomes, triclosan degradation genes were detected in six projects. Globally these degradation genes were detected in Argentina, China, The Philippines, Pennsylvania, Tennessee and Washington state. Additionally, the two worked to construct a luminescent reporter

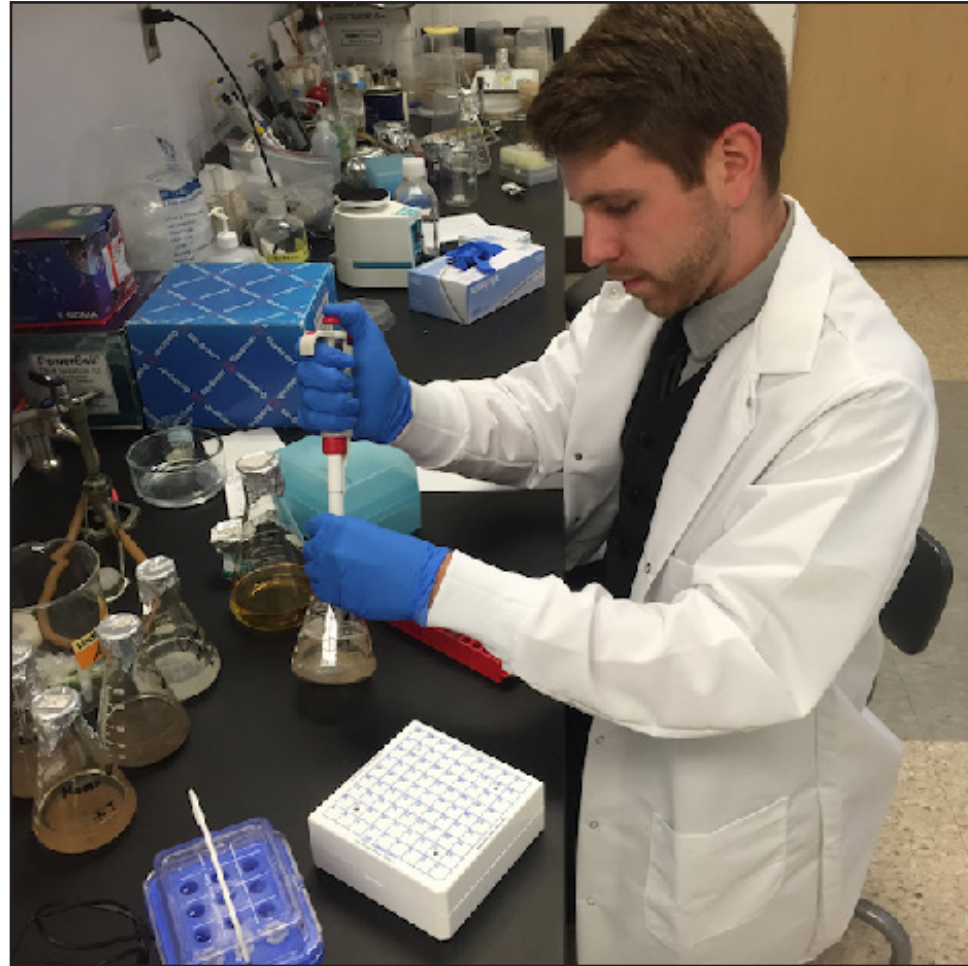


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Andrew Putt processes waste water treatment samples

plasmid for detecting environmental triclosan presence in wastewater treatments.

Putt has presented the research this past fall at the COPLAC Fall 2016 Regional Meeting in North Adams, Massachusetts. In November Putt was the first undergraduate oral presenter to represent Mansfield at the 11th Susquehanna River Symposium. Putt took highest honors in the undergraduate oral research presentations.

The American Society for Microbiology is the largest single life science society, composed of over 48,000 scientists and health professionals. ASM's mission is to promote

and advance the microbial sciences.

ASM advances the microbial sciences through conferences, publications, certifications and educational opportunities. It enhances laboratory capacity around the globe through training and resources. It provides a network for scientists in academia, industry and clinical settings. Additionally, ASM promotes a deeper understanding of the microbial sciences to diverse audiences.

Please visit <http://www.asm.org/urf> for more information on the ASM Undergraduate Research Fellowship Program.

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# Students and faculty decorate campus Excerpt: Sequel to Still Pendulum

By TORI ROZELL  
Staff Writer

The office of Human Resources is sponsoring the Annual Campus-Wide Holiday Decorating Contest. The contest is open to all students and employees. Students had the option to decorate their office, door, hallway, or residence hall door.

It is that time of year again where the trees are being set-up and the houses are being decorated with beautiful lights. The stockings are hung on the mantle and the fireplace is where Santa visits with your children become a weekend thing. Students at Mansfield University have the option to decorate their door with Christmas or other holidays they may celebrate. Students may hang stockings or put up trees. They may decorate their doors/office anyway they choose. It is a competition among the faculty and students to release their creative side for the winter season. Faculty who participated in this event was able to get students attention and they soon showed interest in this. Some people decorating their doors, like faculty, have the students here at Mansfield University get involved. Some people traced their hands to make wreaths. The winner receives a prize and the prize is unknown. A winner has been chosen as of December 8th.



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By EVAN JOHNON  
Co-Editor-in-Chief

Jacob and Daniel were walking down an abandoned stretch of highway when they came upon a bloodstained concrete roadblock that was surrounded by bloody footprints. It was one of many bloody monuments that showed the true darkness of the human condition. Back at the time when society was basically nonexistent, the military didn't know that the dead have to have their brain destroyed or reanimation would begin, so they paid for their ignorance. Jacob and Daniel had the fortunate luck of not being ignorant.

Jacob could feel his age catching up to him as his back ached with each mile that he walked. He was suddenly worried that his hair would soon be turning grey because his Dad's hair started to turn grey when he was in his thirties too. While imagining himself aging, he thought about how he would never get to see Laura age or what their children would've looked like. He looked at Daniel who seemed perfectly content with the carnage of what was left of the world.

Despite the fact that Daniel hadn't done any proper exercising or weight lifting in months, he was still in great shape but his biceps weren't as big as a baby's head anymore. He used to be too muscular. The end of the world actually made him look better.

A strong gust of wind brought with it the stench of walking corpses. The smell had gotten in Jacob's beard somehow and it smelled dirtier than it was. Jacob itched his thick beard and Daniel itched his smooth chin, wishing he could grow some facial hair, even peach fuzz would do. They looked around the roadblock for any supplies but it appeared that someone beat them to it. Behind the roadblock, there were dozens of mutilated bodies covered in bites. All of them had some sign of their brains being destroyed.

Even though it was only two months after the outbreak, Jacob was already immune to the violence. Daniel had been immune to violence for most of his life. To him, violence was a natural occurrence that had to happen and was a constant eventuality. The two of them ignored the dead as they carefully picked through the pockets of the dead.

Jacob was reaching through the purse of a corpse that barely resembled a woman anymore. A click inside the purse from a trap being set off signified that Jacob would be dead in a few seconds. Daniel grabbed Jacob and they ran in the first direction that he saw. Hopping over corpses and various items on the road, an explosion behind them knocked them to the ground and into the mud on the side of the road.

Jacob went face first into the mud and tasted mud fill his mouth. Daniel landed on his butt. He grabbed Jacob's greasy hair and pulled his head out of the mud.

"You good man?" Daniel asked like nothing happened.

*Seriously?* "Give me a second." Jacob whispered as he spit out mud. "Whatever. Hurry up though, I wanna get outta here as soon as possible." Daniel said as he stood up. Jacob managed to push himself onto his knees then after a few seconds, to his feet. Jacob looked at Daniel who was standing in the seemingly endless dead field and staring at the sky. Jacob stumbled over.

"Hey, we gotta get out of here." Jacob said.

Daniel didn't reply and kept staring at the sky. *This guy...* "Listen man, we don't know who set that trap or who heard it." Jacob stated.

Jacob waited for a reply that didn't come, "Or *what* heard it." Jacob finished.

Jacob began to speak again but Daniel shushed him, "Listen—you hear that?" Daniel whispered.

It took Jacob a second but he heard it, it was the unmistakable sound of a jet plane. A sound that Jacob hadn't heard since before the outbreak. That brushy hum of the engine was getting louder but they couldn't see a plane anywhere. They just looked at each other.

"Maybe it was—" Jacob began to say but he stopped when he saw a jet burst through a rain cloud. It was one of those passenger jet planes and it was headed directly towards them.

"That's probably another reason that we should beat feet out of here." Daniel said with a chuckle.

Jacob replied by grabbing Daniel's shoulder and pulling him behind along as they bolted in the opposite direction of the falling plane that was heading towards them like a missile. The plane seemed like it was following them as they sprinted so hard that it felt like their muscles were breaking through their skin. The sound of the plane falling towards them grew louder, louder, louder, and BOOM!

The ground shook as the plane hit the field then began sliding across it in a tidal wave of metal, dirt, and fire. Jacob and Daniel pushed their muscles to the limits as they kept sprinting.

"This is like—that scene—at the end of—*Men in Black*." Daniel joked while sprinting out of breath.

*Seriously? Well, it is kind of like that.* Jacob thought. He wanted to say something but decided to save his breath for sprinting.





# Flash fiction: Bull

By EVAN JOHNSON  
*Co-Editor-in-Chief*

I grew up in a small town in New Jersey, southern New Jersey to be specific. I was raised in a privileged household and I had a happy childhood. People who have messed up lives like to blame their childhoods but mine was happy, genuinely happy. I wasn't abused, my parents were around and they loved me; it was a good life.

People say when they commit a crime that they don't have a choice, that's not true. I had a choice and I wanted to do it. Now, before I say what I did, I want to say that I was not influenced by anyone or anything. This was an act of my own volition. I'm not saying I enjoyed it, but it was all my choice. Nobody forced me into it. I have never been physically forced to do something that I didn't want to do. It happens that way in the movies but not in real life, in real life it is up to whoever decides to act.

I am telling this story because I feel that history is soon going to repeat itself if we don't recognize our own mistakes. People make jokes about horrible events that have occurred such as the Holocaust and other mass killings, jokes may help ease the pain but they also lessen the lesson that we should be learning from these events.

Now, I'm not saying that violence is a bad thing. Sometimes violence is necessary but sometimes it isn't. Everything can be considered bad if it is done too much, there is an extent or a line and when it gets crossed, every sane person knows that it has been crossed. My name is J.B. and this is my story of violence.

It was a surprisingly cool mid-July night in 2014 and I don't remember what city I was in. It wasn't one of the major cities, it was a city that is technically a city but that nobody really considers a city. The city was unusually quiet that night but there was a quiet breeze in the air. My hair kept getting in my eyes as I tried to figure out which block I was on. I wasn't from the area, I was in the city interviewing someone for a job that I managed to get when I graduated from college in May.

My brothers and I were lucky that way, we all managed to get jobs soon after we graduated. Despite graduating many years apart, our fates seemed to be in line. I had a girlfriend, Ramona, that I met my junior year in college and we were considering marriage, she's my wife now. At the time, I wasn't sure if she was the one. I was an older college graduate and she was a traditional one. We were more than a few years apart and I thought that she was a little—you know what, it doesn't matter right now.

I was trying to find my hotel so that I could check in. I didn't even get a chance to stop at my hotel when I got off my plane, I

had to go straight to the interview. Anyway, I was walking down the seemingly endless blocks of stores that had since close when my pocket began vibrating. It was moments like these when I thought that Ramona wasn't the one because I saw who was calling and ignored it. When I put my phone back into my pocket I looked up and saw it: a double-barrel shotgun pointed directly at me.

The person holding it had a hoodie on but I could clearly see their face. They said nothing and motioned the barrel towards an alley that was to my left. I was angry but I had no choice, I complied. I walked into the alley, faced the nearest wall and began emptying my pockets. At this point, no words had been said, I just knew what was going on.

It all seemed to be going so routinely. The mugger had my belongings and needed nothing else from me then my phone began ringing. I forgot that I turned the silent mode off. I don't know why I did what I did next but I turned around and grabbed the barrels of the gun, accidentally jamming my right thumb inside one of the barrels.

The mugger instinctively clicked the trigger but—nothing, it was empty. He gasped, I could literally see him gasp. I used my free thumb and pressed it as hard as I could into his right eyeball, which came out of the socket. He was screaming the loudest that I've ever heard anyone scream and all I wanted was for him to be quiet.

I yanked my other thumb out of the barrel, dislocating it and then I grabbed the gun. He fell onto his butt, laughing and crying at the same time. He started saying how he would have used my money to buy some shells for the gun. I didn't want to hear any of it, I hit him with the stock across the temple and he shut up. Then my phone rang again, it was Ramona.

I turned off my phone and looked at the mugger, who had a look of—I wouldn't say defeat, rather he accepted what was coming. I didn't know what to do, the breeze blew through the alley and I just let instincts take over. I kicked the mugger onto his back and jammed the barrel into his mouth until the squelching sound stopped when the barrel hit pavement. I let go of the stock then pulled it out of what remained of his mouth.

I left the mugger like that and walked back to my hotel with the shotgun hidden under my jacket. The barrel was visible the entire time but nobody said anything. To this day I don't know why nobody stopped me or called the police. I told only a few of my good friends about that night and no one else. I'm telling this story now because it's been two years and I haven't heard a word from any law enforcement about it. I'm not saying what I did was wrong or that it was right, it just was.

# Letter to the editor: The greatest joy of teaching

By DAN MASON  
*Flashlight Advisor*

Dear Editor,

One of the differences between teaching high school and teaching college is the opportunity to connect with students after graduation. High school students are from the area and drop in once in a while. College students are frequently from far away and might drop in every five years for homecoming. That's not always the case.

Nick Hartranft was a journalism student for two years at Mansfield University. He worked part-time locally, wrote for the Flashlight and ended his college career as the Flashlight editor.

Upon graduation, Nick looked for a job that would let him exercise the skills he learned while he was a student. He found one in Potter County. Nick was hired in September by the Potter Leader-Enterprise as

a sports and general assignment reporter. His new position was announced on the front page of the October 5 edition. Nick had two stories on the front page of the sports section of the next edition of the weekly paper. Nick had two stories on the front page of the third edition of the paper after his hiring. He had a third story on the back page of the A-section and three stories on the front page of the sports section.

Among the many joys of teaching is getting to know my students and working with them while they grow. That happens a lot. There can be few greater joys for any teacher than to see a student leave the confines of the university and spread his wings and soar, doing the things we have taught him.

Congratulations Nick. You and your Flashlight staff and your classmates, both past and present, are what education is about. I love being able to tell my friends, "I knew him when..."

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## Mansfield CJA Students tour Muncy State Correctional Institution

A group of 14 Mansfield University Criminal Justice Administration (CJA) students, accompanied by Assistant Professor Justin Crowl, toured Muncy State Correctional Institution (SCI Muncy) on November 17.

The students are also part of Lambda Alpha Epsilon (LAE), the national coed professional fraternity for CJA students.

SCI Muncy, formerly known as the Industrial School for Women, is a medium/maximum state correctional institution that houses adult female offenders. The prison serves as the diagnostic and classification center for all women entering the state prison system.

A historical overview of the prison was first presented to students by Superintendent Robert Smith, in

coordination with William Frantz, deputy superintendent for Centralized Services, and Wendy Nicholas, deputy superintendent for Facilities Management.

Students were provided valuable information regarding prison culture/dynamics, the classification process, demographics of incarcerated women, and correctional careers. A guided tour of the facility followed. Students were also able to ask questions and engage in discussion with prison administrators, some of whom are MU alumni.

The students who participated in the event were Taylor Koch, Emily Galligan, Allie Mace, Maurin MacNamara, Dana Mahini, Zachary Sedun, Brandi Schildt, Colin Ohnmeiss, Sommer Gaydos, Scott Syryla, Gina LaRose, Carrie McSurdy, Bethany Weber and Shyanne McKivison.



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## Carter scores 15 points but Mountie men can't overcome first half defect

Malik Carter scored a game-high 15 points but it wouldn't be enough to offset Mansfield coldest shooting game of the season as the Mountaineers dropped a 71-63 decision in a PSAC crossover contest at Clarion Saturday afternoon.

After a jumper by Jahdye Gardiner at the start the game, Mansfield made just four of its first 19 shots. Clarion used four straight 3-pointers, including from Justin Grant to build a 29-9 advantage midway through the first half.

Mansfield was able to cut the lead to single-digits at 36-27 on a layup by Gardiner with a minute remaining in the first half before Clarion took a 40-29 advantage into intermission.

The Mountaineers made just 30% of their shots in the first half and connected on just one of 11 3-pointers over the first 20 minutes.

Mansfield found its shooting groove



Photo Courtesy by GoMounties  
Jahdye Gardiner, 5, made 27 starts in 29 appearances for EMCC 2015-16

somewhat in the second half, using a 10-0 run to close to 56-51 on a layup by Carter with just over six minutes remaining.

However, three straight treys by Clarion ended the Mountaineers rally, extending the Golden Eagles lead to 66-54 just two minutes later.

Mansfield, which shot season-low 33.3% in the game, got off 72 shots to Clarion's 56 and outrebounded the Golden Eagles 17-10 on the offensive boards. The Mountaineers got their outside game going in the second half hitting 7 of 17 attempts from beyond the arch in the final 20 minutes.

In addition to his 15 points, Carter pulled down seven rebounds, recorded three steals and dished out three assists. Cedrick Powell and Gerasimos Koutoufas scored 11 points each with Matt Tamanosky adding 10 points.

Grant led four Clarion players in double-figures with 15 points.

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## Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9 Men's and Women's Track and Field: Mountaineers vs. Houghton December Classic All Day	10 -Women's and Men's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. Indiana University (PA) 5:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.	11	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	19 -Women's Basketball: Mountaineers vs. LeMoyné College	20	21	22



# The Blizzard of '92 Floating Head Spotted on MU Campus

By Dirk Diggler  
Superstar

I was only an infant when this story takes place, but I've heard tell of those three fateful days during the winter of 1992. Many stories could be told from "The Winter Hell Froze Over" as it has been called by many, but this story started March 13, 1992 in Alloway, New Jersey. For several weeks prior, teachers at the Matt Parker High School (it has since been renamed Patchy Memorial High School) had been fighting with the school board for health-care benefits. Everyone knew a blizzard was coming but they had no idea that hell would freeze over as a result, and they cared more about their contracts than the weather.

The wood shop teacher, Patrick Nelson, led the negotiations for the first year and after they got nowhere with the negotiations, they decided that they would strike. Nelson decided that he wanted to make a point to the school board and that faculty would be striking 24/7 until a contract agreement was met. Little did he know that he would lose more than he would gain from the contract. At 8:00 p.m. on March 13, 1992 the faculty started striking. They planned on taking turns sleeping in Nelson's 1970 El Camino. At first, the night was just cold but as the night progressed it got colder and faculty went to the warm safety of Nelson's Camino to get drunk and wait out the weather.

Around 11:30 p.m. on March 13 Nelson and his best friend Dave, who was the janitor at the school, was fed up with the morale of the faculty who were getting drunk in Nelson's Camino so they went over to the car to talk to the inebriated faculty inside the vehicle. They wouldn't even unlock the door for them, so Dave lit a cigarette, not realizing that there was a gas leak under the car and when he "ashed" his cigarette, the car exploded. The explosion launched Nelson 20 feet in the air and killed Dave as well as the five faculty members that were inside the vehicle.

After the explosion, a yellow El Camino pulled up to the scene of the explosion, but there was no driver in the car. At that moment, the car transformed into Optimus Prime. Optimus Prime had known Nelson back in their days together when they served in Vietnam. Due to his experience as a field medic, Optimus Prime tended to Nelson's wounds. Nelson lost his right eye and his left leg in the explosion. Nelson refused to go to the hospital

and managed to strike for three days with one leg and one eye. He used makeshift supplies to keep his wounds clean while Optimus Prime provided warm blankets and hot coco. Optimus Prime joined in with the striking and blared *Eye of the Tiger* from the speakers built into his chin.

The notorious grunge band Candlebox had just got finished playing a show at nearby Woodstown High School when they heard of the explosion and decided to stop by the scene to give their support in the best way that they could: through music. They jumped out of their tour bus and began playing *Change* which according to Optimus Prime, was an electrifying show. Before leaving, they performed a live show of *Blossom* while Nelson stood by and sang along as he stroke. A tear came to his eye because *Blossom* was Dave's favorite song and Dave blossomed, every day. Until he died in a fiery explosion.

After the death of Dave and the faculty members in Nelson's Camino, people from all over Alloway came to strike along the faculty. One of the faculty members brought Nelson an eye patch, which he still wears to this day. Nelson always blamed himself for the death of Dave and the faculty members, but he stayed strong during the strike, even when the weather went -20 degrees and stayed that way for two days. The protesters started carrying signs that said, "Don't let Patchy's acts be in vain! Fight for OUR healthcare benefits!" After losing his eye and leg, Nelson started being called Patchy by everyone around him, and the name stuck.

After three days of negotiation, the strike ended and all of the faculty were able to receive healthcare again. Patchy quit his job at the end of that school year, but the community never forgot his actions. The school was re-named Patchy Memorial High School in March 2002, ten years after the events of this story took place. Optimus Prime took Patchy's position as the woodshop teacher after Patchy's unfortunate but understandable departure. Patchy has since gone off the radar and has become something of a survivalist, but shortly before he quit his job, he made a statement regarding his actions during the strike. "I've lost my best friend and five co-workers because of this strike. I also lost my right eye and my left leg. However, I didn't have to pay a dime for this glass eye or wooden leg because I got those health-care benefits. Never forget the blizzard of '92!" Patchy said.



Photo Courtesy of EHarmony

By James "I Didn't Write This" Patterson  
Creative Engineer

The mystery of the floating head has finally been revealed to the MU campus. Recently, shouting was heard coming from North Hall and later Grant Science Center. The voice said one thing and one thing only, "What's going on in the news?!" At first, people assumed it was Sara, everyone's favorite ghost, unfortunately this was not the case and something far worse was revealed. From the first glance, one might assume this is just a projector and some sick freshman playing a prank.

The floating head apparently doesn't have an official name, but prefers to be called, "Mason." The few who have tried to approach the head have been cursed at and spit on. When student, Hugh Johnson approached it, and asked what his favorite type of books are, Mason replied, "Zombies!" This then began in a chase and Johnson has not been heard from since. Flashlight reporter, Brad Berliner dressed in camouflage and was successful in talking to the head. "We just want to know what your purpose for causing terror on campus is?" The head was silent for several moments until Berliner tried to poke it with a stick. The head then started performing

backflips because other than exclaiming, "What's going on in the news?!" Mason said he has always wanted to participate in the Summer Olympics. Mason says that the Winter Olympics are too cold for his head alone and that he would need a body to participate in them but only a head for the Summer Olympics.

Since these remarks started being reported, students involved with The Trashlight asked Mason if he wanted to be their advisor and he kept asking, "What's going on in the news?!" He then went on to ramble about the Summer Olympics and that there should be headstrong sports in them because he "got his A game on" The floating head then dissipated into the bathroom to take selfies, despite only being a head and having no hands to use a camera.

A recent controversy made its way to the public when decapitated heads started organizing rallies on college campuses because they are claiming that isn't fair that they can't try out for the Olympics despite only being able to roll and apparently float. Brad Berliner and Dirk Diggler to talk about possible headstrong activities in future Olympics, have written a speech that Mason will be presenting to MU on 13/95/17 in Buffalo Hall.



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## Skateboarding team to form in Spring 2017

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Students recently signed a petition to form a brand new competitive skateboarding team on the Mansfield University campus. The last skateboarding team at MU was shut down in 1989 due to reckless attempt to get hit by cars. The objective of the game was to ride down Cardiac Hill and slam into a car at full speed. Students at this time thought free tuition was a way to compensate for these injuries. However, they were later proven wrong when students found out that the only way they would be compensated was by getting extra cheese on their sandwiches from Carol at Upper Manser.

On top of resurrecting the skateboarding team, the new club has begged SGA for \$30,000 to build a 30-foot high vert ramp in the South Hall Mall. “We just love playing Tony Hawk Pro Skater 4 so much that we thought it would be a good idea to ask SGA to build a ginormous ramp with it. It is definitely in the student’s best interest. We are also asking SGA to give us an additional \$10,000 to buy skateboards with. A real skateboard, a real quality skateboard comes in assorted pieces. You wanna buy the trucks; wheels, barrings and finally you wanna



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The MU skateboarding club has been deemed as fearless

be the deck. But you gotta make sure its all the quality stuff. Go to the skateboard shop, Zumiez. They have it all, “avid Play Station 2 gamer and sophomore, Bam Dunn said. SGA

is currently voting on whether or not to let the skateboarding club to continue. “They are a danger to themselves and everyone around them,” President of SGA, Hilary Trump said.

“The fact that Dunn claims that what they are doing is in the student’s best interest is absolutely ludicrous. “Trump’s husband then went on to say that building a vert ramp might be a good idea because it has the same characteristics as a wall. “It’s gonna be huge. So huge. I’ve said if Ivanka weren’t my daughter, perhaps I’d be dating her.”

One complaint that the club has already been getting is that noise will be an issue. Dunn simply answered, “If you’ve got an issue, here’s a tissue.” When this comment made its way around campus, it outraged students. “We live here, and this kind of behavior should not be tolerated. This is a place for studying, not skateboarding, or craziness,” said music technology major, Keith Moon.

The skateboarding team will have positions like any ordinary organization. This will consist of a president, vice president, secretary, treasurer, deck manager, ramp cleaner, wheel rubber, barring licker, grip tape organizer, music playlist maker, videographer, PR speaker, and of course a head coach and an assistant coach. A practice schedule has still not been revealed, nor has a competition schedule been created yet, however their are talks that Kutztown and Lock Haven both have competitive teams.

### Coming up in Mountaineer Sports

Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
9	10 Manser gives track the runs	11	12 Softball team becomes all male  Baseball team becomes all female	13	14 Spring Football vs. Curling	15
16 -Beer chugging contest on Van Normal Field	17	18 Aggressive in-line Roller Blading Team vs. Harvard University	19	20 Manser gives track at runs again	21	22 Spring Football vs. penalty flags